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Official August 8th...

Corcoran Retires As Principal Of Middle School

by Alexis Ferioli
School Dept. Editor

Superintendent of Schools James Bruno announced today that Agawam Middle School Principal Charles Corcoran retired from that position August 8th.

Corcoran, an educator in the local school system for the past 34 years, explains that his decision to retire was based on his desire to enjoy other activities while still in the best of health.

Hired in 1951 by former Superintendent of Schools A. Jerome Goodwin to teach a combination fourth/fifth grade class at the former Katherine Danahy Elementary School, Corcoran remained at that building for only one year before being transferred to the former junior high on Main Street, where he has remained throughout his career.

Worked Under Kistner

After teaching eighth grade science for 15 years, Corcoran was appointed assistant principal to Charles Kistner in 1967, a position he maintained for 14½ years. He was then appointed principal at the middle school when Kistner retired in 1981.

Bruno points out that middle school Assistant Principal Ralph Zavarella will be appointed "acting principal" until the newly-opened position has been posted, and applicants are reviewed by School Committee members.

"With the opening day of school only three weeks away, I will naturally expedite the process of filling the principal's position. Hopefully, the task will be completed within six weeks," he states.

Bruno foresees no problem with Zavarella performing the principal's duties in the interim period since he has been involved in all areas of middle school administration.

He notes that applicants are required to have administrative experience and be knowledgeable of secondary school practices.

Corcoran says he is enthusiastic about the future and is looking forward to traveling with his wife, Margaret.

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CHARLES CORCORAN has retired as principal of the Agawam Middle School...



...while Assistant Principal Ralph Zavarella will become acting principal.

August 15, 1985

On Route 57 Landtaking... Melconianirate Over Appraisals On Property

by Stuart Parker
Advertiser News Municipal Writer

State Senator Linda Melconian (D-Springfield) has taken the State DPW Right of Way Bureau to task over misinformation and questionable appraisals of property to be taken by eminent domain for the relocation of the 4.5 mile Route 57 extension project.

Melconian called for a meeting between State DPW, Appraisal Supervisor Al MacFarlan and Agawam's Garden Street residents whose property is being taken for the road's relocation and for ramps.

The concerns affecting the majority of residents focused on the state acquisition of the estate of Rose DiDonato.

The state appraised 7¾ acres and house on the 10-acre parcel for \$27,300.

Heirs Upset About Appraisal

Several heirs to the property vented near rage as they presented MacFarlan with taxable assessment of the property of \$80,000.

Heirs further presented MacFarlan with a statement from a local appraiser stating the town's valuations of the parcel were at 80 percent of true market value.

MacFarlan concurred that both the town and state appraisals were low, and immediately supported the heirs' positions, commenting, "I viewed the property this afternoon and there's no question I would appeal the appraisal of this property if I owned it."

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Council Begins Prelim. Work On Redistricting Plan

by Stuart Parker
Advertiser News Political Writer

Agawam Town Council has begun preliminary work altering the borders of town precincts to take effect in the 1987 town elections.

Council Redistricting Committee Chairman Jack Shaughnessy accepted tentative alterations affecting the six town precincts during a committee meeting on Monday, August 12th.

Shaughnessy has planned another committee meeting on Monday, August 19th.

Send Finalized Redistricting Plan

The town is required to send a finalized redistricting plan to the Secretary of State Elections Division by September 16th.

The redistricting is mandatory following results of the 1985 state census that shows Agawam with a total population of 24,644, all unevenly dispersed among the town's precincts.

Virtually all town officials agree that the state census figures are by at least 4,000 residents short (perhaps by as many as 6,000 some said), but attribute the census results to the unwillingness of local residents to furnish the state with census information.

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TO OUR READERS:

We ask that for our special "Back To School" edition on Aug. 29th, that all deadlines be strictly followed. See our display advertisement on page 24.

APPRAISALS - From Page 1...

Resident Carolyn Brokowski presented MacFarlan with a real estate portfolio, showing replacement cost of her Garden Street cape-style home at \$91,000, a stark difference from the state's \$68,000 appraisal of her property.

Mrs. Brokowski and all other property owners of Garden Street reported they were informed by state appraisers Corrington and Barry that their only recourse in disputing the appraisals were to take them to court.

As instructed in a brochure given to the residents by the Mass. DPW, they were told to "sign the agreement of settlement based on the award presented... (or) be entitled to bring a claim against the Commonwealth in court."

Residents reported it was not until they brought their grievances to Melconian's office that they were informed they first had the right to appeal within the DPW Right of Way Bureau, before taking it to court.

MacFarlan said during the meeting that appraisers had been in error in not informing the residents of their rights to appeal with the DPW. He readily concurred with a suggestion from Melconian's office that the appraisers, MacFarlan, and the residents hold a meeting to clear this and other misinformation.

Seemed Less Than Anxious

Following the meeting, however, MacFarlan seemed less anxious to a face-to-face meeting with appraisers, noting his office could not arrange such a meeting until at least 10 weeks after a formal request from Melconian. He also told us his office was deluged with many other pending projects.

While a strong proponent of the relocation and extension of Route 57, Melconian told us, "We will see to it that concerns of displaced property owners will be represented every bit as vigorously as the efforts for Route 57 itself."

Melconian also harshly criticized the appraisers' failure to inform residents of their right to appeal, adding, "The state should never put itself in a position of forcing litigation costs on itself or its citizens when

other avenues are available."

Melconian is taking separate action over former Garden Street resident Donna Mendenhall, who voiced concern over payment for the property she and her family vacated earlier this year.

Ms. Mendenhall reported that the state informed her of its intention to take the property by April 1st, 1985, noting her family has now incurred two mortgages, but has yet to receive payment for their Garden Street property.

"We're not looking to make out. We're looking to survive," Ms. Mendenhall said of the situation.

Ms. Mendenhall noted the state delayed in taking her family's property after they vacated it, but that Melconian's office had succeeded in expediting a land-taking in July.

"We still haven't received payment from the state. And all we hear from the Mass. DPW is excuses and tales of inaccurate files," Ms. Mendenhall told us.

Melconian's office said it would look into expediting payment for the property by presenting DPW officials with a "hardship," basing this on the health of the property owner.

Melconian expressed deep concerns that the property owners have not been treated fairly. "I intend to push for a second meeting among affected property owners with the DPW much sooner than 10 weeks from now," she said.

May Take Them To Task

Melconian added, "If the many allegations I've heard regarding the Right of Way Bureau prove to be correct, the only way to correct the problem is to take these people to task."

Melconian advised the residents to refrain from signing any agreement with the state for acquisition of property until all questions concerning appraisals and rights for appeals have been thoroughly explained.

Melconian further added that her office is open to people affected by other portions of the Route 57 relocation, and that she will personally deliver requests for appeals to the Mass. DPW in Boston.

AGAWAM CONSERVATION COMMISSION

The Agawam Conservation Commission will hold a Public Hearing on Thursday, August 22, 1985, at 7:15 P.M., in the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA.

This hearing, pursuant of the General Laws Chapter 131, Section 40, is called to act upon the petition of Connor Builders, Inc. to perform work subject to the Act Off River Road and Leonard Street in a subdivision called Riverview Estates.

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CORCORAN - From Page 1...

Besides pursuing his hobbies of photography and reading, he hopes to spend more time with his son, Charles III, and daughter, Erin Guarno, as well as his grandchildren.

Big Change For Me

"It's going to be a big change for me, especially when school bells ring-out in September. I'll miss my colleagues and friends most. Education has been a very enjoyable career for me, one of which I'll always have fond memories," he declares.

Bruno states that Corcoran will definitely be missed by everyone in the school system.

"Mr. Corcoran has always been a straight-forward business-like individual who has done an excellent job in his capacities as teacher, assistant principal, and principal throughout the years. He will be sorely missed by all," Bruno tells us.

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REDISTRICTING - From Page 1...

The greatest disparity between precinct populations shown by the state census were the 6,738 residents recorded in Precinct 2, compared to the 3,255 residents recorded in Precinct 3.

All precincts are represented by two councilors. Three of the town's 15 councilors are elected at-large. In addition to Precinct 3, Precincts 4 and 1 were below the town's population average, recording residents of 3,266 and 3,284, respectively.

Precincts 5 and 6 remain very near the town average, recording 4,159 and 3,910 residents, respectively. They will also be altered by redistricting plans.

The preliminary plans drafted August 12th would extend North Agawam's Precinct 1 into Feeding Hills by allowing Precinct 1 to incorporate all land on the east side of North Westfield Street.

Precinct 3 is planned to annex some parts of Precinct 6 from Garden Street heading south to Silver Street heading west, and back up Suffield Street heading north. The center of these streets is planned to serve as the boundaries between precincts.

Precinct 4 is scheduled to absorb a portion of Precinct 6 by extending its boundary southerly down Suffield Street to Silver Street, heading west to Main Street, then returning north.

Precinct 4 is also slated to receive a portion of Precinct 5, taking both sides of Albert Street heading west, turning into both sides of Corey Street westward to Alhambra Circle westward, concluding at River Road heading north.

The southern quarter of Precinct 2 is likely to be incorporated into Precinct 6, however, Shaughnessy advised that the matter remain unresolved until Agawam Town Clerk Richard Theroux returns to the committee August 19th. Theroux is scheduled to bring statistics on population shifts of precinct residents affected by the tentative plans that are now being reviewed.

Establish Common Border

Both Shaughnessy and Theroux expressed concerns over establishing a common border through the southern quarter of Precinct 2; much of the land remains undeveloped with no roadways available to reach through the entire precinct in the area of concern.

Theroux said he plans to contact the State Elections Division to determine whether geographical landmarks could serve as precinct borders in this area.

While the state requires redistricting plans by September 16th, Shaughnessy hopes to present the full council with the plan Tuesday, September 3rd.

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MUNICIPAL EVENTS**COLONIAL FUNERAL HOME**

Monday, August 19th
Redistricting Committee
Jack Shaughnessy - Chairman
Town Clerk's Conference
Room
7:30 P.M.

Thursday, August 22nd
Conservation Commission
Public Library
7:00 P.M.

Monday, September 2nd
LABOR DAY
Town Hall Closed

Tuesday, September 3rd
Town Council Meeting
Public Library
8:00 P.M.

Wednesday, September 4th
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The Office of the Town Manager is currently accepting applications for appointment to the Agawam Economic Development and Industrial Corporation, Council on Aging, Conservation Commission, Historical Commission, and the Industrial Development Financing Authority.

Agawam Economic Development And Industrial Corporation - Two Vacancies

One vacancy must be a citizen-at-large and one vacancy with industrial development background. This corporation is concerned with the economic development of the Town of Agawam. The A.E.D.I.C. is to promote industrial development that will maximize employment opportunities, widen the tax base, and provide economic benefit to the town.

Council On Aging - One Vacancy

The council identifies the total needs of the community's elderly population, educates the community and enlists support and participation of all citizens concerning those needs; designs, promotes, or implements services to fill these needs, or coordinates present existing services in the community; promotes and supports any other programs which are designed to assist elderly programs in the community.

Conservation Commission - One Vacancy

The Conservation Commission promotes the development and better utilization of the natural resources and also protects watershed resources of this municipality.

Historial Commission - Two Vacancies

The commission deals with the preservation, protection and development of the historical or archeological assets of Agawam.

Industrial Development Financing Authority - One Vacancy

Candidate required to be a licensed real estate agent. The authority attracts new industry to the municipality or substantially expanding industry in Agawam through the financing of industrial projects under M.G.L., Chapter 40D.

If you are interested in serving the Town of Agawam as a member of any of the above boards or commissions, application forms are available at the Town Manager's Office or the Town Clerk's Office, 36 Main Street, Agawam, Massachusetts. The deadline for acceptance of application is Friday, August 23, 1985.

Agawam Obituaries

Lewis E. Martin

Lewis E. Martin, 67, of 45 School Street, Agawam, a retired supervisor with Monarch Life Insurance Company, Springfield, died recently in Baystate Medical Center.

He retired in 1977 and was previously a supervisor at the Old Springfield Armory. Born in Springfield, he lived in Agawam 30 years.

He was a member of the Agawam Baptist Church. He leaves his wife, the former Dorothy R. Hastings; and a sister, Barbara Loke of Springfield.

The funeral was held at Colonial Funeral Home with burial in Agawam Center Cemetery. Donations made be made to the church.

Delia M. Smith

Delia M. (Rose) Smith, 90, of 143 Florida Drive, Agawam, died recently in Baystate Medical Center, Springfield Unit.

Born in Leeds, Maine, she lived in Springfield most of her life and then in Agawam eight years. She was a member of the Bethany Assembly of God. Her husband, Arthur L. Smith, Sr., died in 1970.

She leaves three sons, Robert J. of Agawam, Russell L. of Warwick, Rhode Island, and Arthur L. Jr., of Ludlow; seven grandchildren, and eight great-grandchildren.

The funeral was held in the church with burial in Hillcrest Park Cemetery, Springfield. Curran Jones Funeral Home was in charge. Donations may be made to the church.

Rosanna Messier

Rosanna (Comette) Messier, 94, of Agawam, a dietician for the former Eastern States Farmers Exchange, now Agway Corporation, died recently in a Holyoke nursing home. She retired in 1952.

Born in Canada, she lived in Springfield 40 years and Agawam 42 years. She was a communicant of St. Joseph's Church, Springfield, and was a member of its St. Anne's Society.

Her husband, Leonide G. Messier, died in 1953. She leaves two daughters, Annette & Cecile Phaneuf of Agawam; five grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

The funeral was held at St. Pierre & Son Funeral Home and in the church, with burial in St. Michael's Cemetery, both in Springfield.

Donations may be made to St. Luke's Home, 85 Springfield Street, Springfield.

Charles F. Wagner

Charles F. Wagner, 96, of 95 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, died recently in Noble Hospital, Westfield.

He was a 30-year employee in the drapery department of the former Forbes & Wallace Department store in Springfield. Born in Austria, he came to America in 1935 and lived in Agawam for 20 years.

He was a member of the Bethany Assembly of God Church. He leaves a son, Mitchell Wager of Islamorada, Florida; three grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

The funeral was held at Curran Jones Funeral Home, with burial in Hillcrest Park Cemetery, Springfield.

Charlotte Handy

Charlotte (Stone) Handy, 88, of 61 Cooper Street, Agawam, died in a local nursing home. Born in Springfield, she graduated from the former Miss McClintock School in Boston and had lived in Longmeadow most of her life.

She was a member of South Church and Junior

League of Springfield, and was an active volunteer for the American Red Cross. She leaves a son, John P.S. of St. Louis, Missouri; and two grandchildren.

The funeral was in the church, with burial in Springfield Cemetery. Dickinson-Street Funeral Home, Springfield, was in charge. Donations may be made to the church memorial fund.

Francis E. Ostrowski

Frances E. (Sumner) Ostrowski, 63, of 643 Suffield Street, Agawam, a retired machinist at Joal Tool Company, Inc., Springfield, died recently in Western Massachusetts Hospital, Westfield.

A native and former resident of Vermont, she lived in Agawam eight years. She leaves a son, Richard W. of Springfield; her mother, Elma Sumner of Williamstown; a brother, Eugene Sumner of Putney, Vermont; a sister, Doris Gilford of Williamstown; and two grandchildren.

The funeral was held at T.P. Sampson Company, Liberty Street Parlor, with burial in Hillcrest Park Cemetery, both in Springfield.

Donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 1111 Elm Street, West Springfield, MA, 01089.

Charles R. Mulcahy

Charles R. Mulcahy, 70, of 135 Lealand Avenue, Agawam, a retired vice-president of Strathmore Paper Company, Westfield, died recently in Baystate Medical Center, Springfield.

He worked for Strathmore 13 years, retiring in 1983. Born in Chicago, he lived in Amherst several years and here since 1968.

He was a past member of the Agawam Housing Authority.

He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, American Association of Retired Persons, and Golden Agers.

He leaves his wife, the former Mary Urekew; two sons, Charles R. III of Springfield, and Thomas M. in New Hampshire; a daughter, D. Diane Ford in Virginia; two step-sons, Daryl L. Grant in New Mexico, and Douglas Grant in Connecticut; three step-daughters,

Debra Grant of Tennessee, Deena Mae Taylor of Cambridge, and Priscilla Band of Maine; a brother, Geegee Hoffman in Mississippi; and 12 grandchildren.

The funeral was held at the Agawam Funeral Home, with burial in Agawam Center Cemetery. Donations may be made to Valley Infant Development Service.

LEGAL NOTICE LEGAL NOTICE AGAWAM POLICE DEPARTMENT

Police Department
Bicycle, unclaimed articles and excess equipment to be auctioned. The auction will be held Saturday, September 7th, 1985, at 10:30 a.m., in the rear of the Town Administration Building, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA.

Treasurer Crane's Unclaimed Money List

State Treasurer Robert Q. Crane announced today that his office is attempting to return nearly \$1 million to 4,000 Massachusetts residents under the state's unclaimed money law.

Treasurer Crane noted that this money has been reported to the treasury by insurance companies doing business within the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Included in the proceeds are unpaid life insurance benefits, unpaid benefits on health and liability insurance policies, pension checks, and customer over-payments.

Under Massachusetts' unclaimed money law (M.G.L.C. 200A), accounts which have been dormant for at least five years are deemed to be abandoned and must be reported to the treasury.

The Treasury Department then tries to locate the rightful owner or legal heirs to return the money.

"Many of these accounts represent the cash value of life insurance policies which the owners do not realize they are entitled to claim," Crane said. "My office is making every reasonable effort to locate the owners or legal heirs to return these funds to those who are due them."

More than 1,000 accounts range between \$100-\$500; 239 accounts between \$500-\$1,000; 132 accounts between \$1,000-\$5,000; nine accounts between \$5,000-\$10,000; and five accounts are more than \$10,000.

The remaining accounts are less than \$100.

Last spring, Treasurer Crane released the names of 36,000 Massachusetts residents who were owed more than \$13 million, most of this resulting from unclaimed savings accounts.

Persons who believe they may have a valid claim should call the Treasurer's Office at (617)367-7780 or TOLL FREE 1-800-632-8027.

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HOW TO CLAIM YOUR MONEY.

If your name appears on the State Treasurer's Unclaimed Money list, published in today's newspaper, call or write:

State Treasurer Robert Q. Crane
12th Floor McCormack Building
1 Ashburton Place
Boston, MA 02108

Telephone: 367-7780
From outside metropolitan Boston,
call toll-free: 1-800-632-8027.

Call Monday through Friday 9 A.M. to 5 P.M. (Closed Saturdays and Sundays).

To facilitate processing your claim, Treasurer Crane urges you to include your name as listed in the newspaper, your address and identification number (if printed in the paper) on all communications.

Owners of abandoned property need not pay a finder's fee to anyone to claim what is rightfully theirs.

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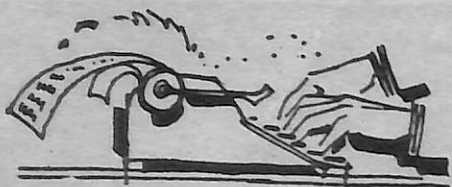
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Proud Of Special Needs Camp

To the Editor:

As a mother of a special needs child, I would like to take this time to thank you and your staff for the many articles and pictures you have placed in the Agawam Adviser regarding the children of Camp Rainbow.

My daughter, age 6, gets very excited when she sees a picture of her camp and immediately wants to put the newspaper away for safe keeping.

The children feel proud to know they are important enough to be included in the town paper.

Thank you again for your support and keep up the good work.

Mary Lou Vigue
Parent

Appreciates Coverage Of Camp

To the Editor:

Just a short note in appreciation for the Agawam Advertiser News' coverage of our town's special needs children who have attended Camp Rainbow this summer.

The photos of the campers during the Special Recreation Olympic Games and at the Rollaway showed pride, accomplishment, and their joy which words could never have expressed.

Again, thank you for your commitment to the children.

Sincerely,
Bernadette J. Conte
Parent

Love Camp Rainbow Coverage

To The Editor:

As parents of special needs children, we want to thank you for your excellent coverage of many events held at Camp Rainbow this summer.

The two page lay-out of Special Olympics demonstrated the excitement and accomplishments felt by all the participants, families, and friends involved.

We feel very fortunate to have a recreational program such as Camp Rainbow for our children.

Thank you
Ed & Ann Rahilly
Bob & Linda Stoddard
Fred & Sharon Stratton

Camp Rainbow Says Thanks

To the Editor:

I want to extend a personal and sincere thank you for the news and photography coverage you have unselfishly given Camp Rainbow.

Many parents of the day campers and residents of Agawam have commented on the fine photos and articles your staff, notably Jack Devine and Judy Kelliher, have printed in the Agawam Advertiser News.

Please extend a warm thank you for their top professional expertise depicting the Camp Rainbow special needs day camp programs.

Again, thank you for your cooperation, dedication, and unselfish commitment toward the special needs/handicapped children of Agawam.

Gratefully,
Ted Tudryn
Camp Rainbow Director

Let's Not Forget Pearl Harbor Vets

To the Editor:

I can appreciate all the man hours that have been accumulated in the last few months by the media to remind the American public of the great Hiroshima attack which took place 40 years ago. It has become front page news and the feature story of television news broadcasts for the whole week.

I have just one question for you....why is it that December 7th is not given equal time? I must admit that they do say it is the anniversary of the attack on Pearl Harbor which happened in 1941, but that is all that is said.

There is one exception - Larry Glick in Boston - who cared enough to have three nights of live conversation with Pearl Harbor Survivors and discuss their experiences.

Don't you think that the American public should be reminded of the sneak attack by the Japanese on Pearl Harbor, of the thousands of lives lost on that day - 1,103 men that lost their lives aboard the USS Arizona? What about all the American servicemen that were injured or maimed for life?

Granted, the figures are not as large as those for Hiroshima and I do not want to sound unsympathetic to the Japanese people, but I do believe that Pearl Harbor, the families of those killed, and the survivors deserve equal time.

Also, our attack was announced and warnings were given - It was not a complete surprise/sneak attack!!!!

Sincerely yours,
Charles A. Toohey, President
Bay Patriots Chapter
Pearl Harbor Survivors Assoc.
16 Roseen Avenue
Weymouth

LIQUOR LICENSING COMMISSION
Agawam, Massachusetts 01001

Notice is hereby given under General Laws, Chapter 138, that Frank C. Fila, Manager d/b/a Buccaneer Lounge, 84-86 Maple Street, Agawam, MA has applied for Transfer of Ownership to Buc, Inc., d/b/a Buccaneer Lounge, Frank H. Fila, Manager, 84-86 Maple Street, Agawam, MA.

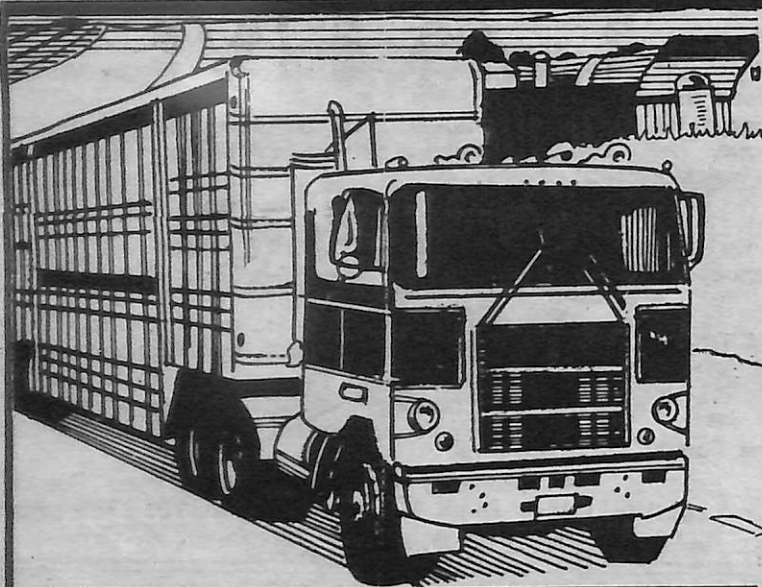
Building consisting of: two floors-first floor, dining room and ball room-bottom floor, kitchen and dining area.

Public Hearing to be held Tuesday, September 10, 1985 at 7:00 p.m. in the Town Administration Building Annex, 36 Main Street, Agawam, Mass.

Joseph P. Dahdah, Chairman
John J. Chriscola, Jr.
Richard A. DiLullo

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Lang-Novotney Nuptials August 9th In Feeding Hills

Gretchen Carol Ann Lang, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. John G. Lang of 52 Williams Street, Feeding Hills, became the bride of Mr. David Bernard Novotney, son of Mr. & Mrs. Bernard S. Novotney, 17 Overlook Drive, Feeding Hills, on Friday, August 9th.

A 5:00 p.m., ceremony was held at the Valley Community Church in Feeding Hills. Reverend Mitchell Scharoff and Reverend James Potter officiated.

Serving as maid of honor was Miss Patricia Smith. Mr. Scott Buxton served as best man.

The bride is a graduate of Agawam High School, Holyoke Community College, and Western New England College. She has a BS/BA, majoring in management.

The bride was recently employed by Cole National as manager of the "Original Cookie Company" at the Holyoke Ingleside Mall, and will continue to pursue a management career after relocating to Pittsfield.

The groom is a graduate of Cathedral High School and Western New England College, receiving his BS degree in electrical engineering. He is employed by General Electric in Pittsfield as an electrical engineer in the Ordinance Systems Division.

The groom is also pursuing a masters degree in computer and systems engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, New York State.

After a honeymoon cruise to Bermuda, the couple will reside in Pittsfield.

St. Anthony's Prepare For Chicken Barbeque

St. Anthony's of Padua Church in North Agawam will hold its 23rd Annual Family Chicken Barbeque on Sunday, August 25th at the Polish American Club pavilion, 139 Southwick Street, Feeding Hills.

There will be continuous servings from noontime to 4:00 p.m., rain or shine.

As usual, the church's Holy Name Society will sponsor the barbeque.

Tickets are reasonably priced at \$4 for adults, and \$2 for children.

Tickets may be purchased from any Holy Name Society member or by calling the church rectory at 786-3724.

Parishioners can purchase tickets from the church ushers after weekend Masses. Tickets may also be purchased at the Polish Club pavilion on the day of the event. Walk-ins are certainly welcome. Mutti's Service Station on Walnut Street, North Agawam, also has tickets.

Takeout orders will be available and the Holy Name Society will furnish containers.

The menu will consist of half-chicken, salad, potato chips, corn on the cob, bread, watermelon, and bottomless coffee and punch.

At 4:00 p.m., any chicken left will be sold.

There will be a raffle drawn and the first three names picked will receive \$100 each. Your ticket will also make you eligible for many donated prizes from local businesses. Raffle tickets are \$1 each or \$5 for a book of six tickets.

The Holy Name Society is asking all husbands to give their wives one day away from the kitchen and treat them to a finger-licking good dinner. The barbeque is a great day for the entire family and St. Anthony's extends a sincere welcome to all townspeople to attend.

All proceeds will benefit the church maintenance fund.

La Leche League Sets August 20th Meeting

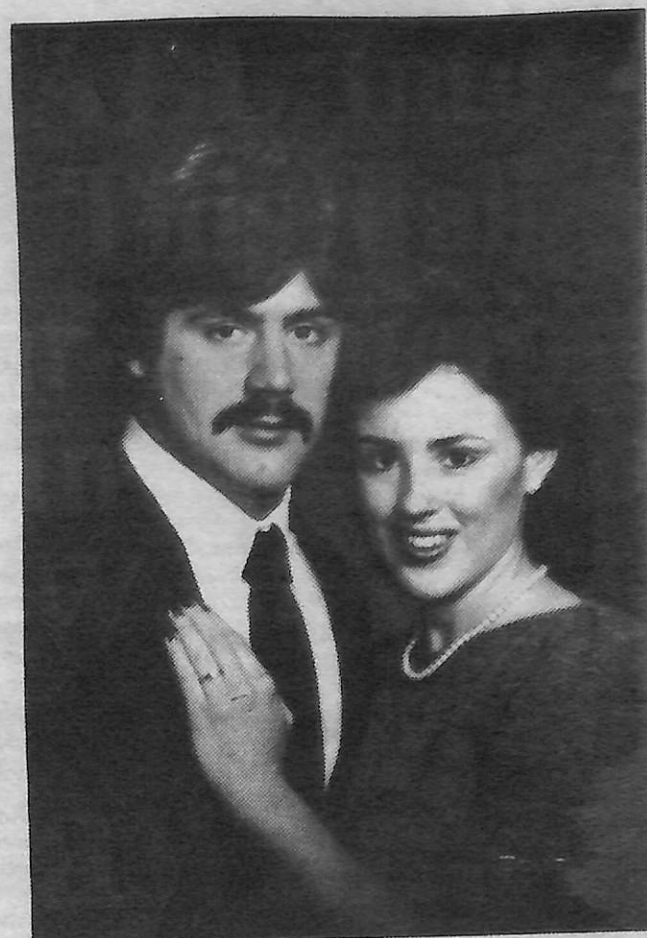
Southwick: Mothers who wish to breastfeed their babies will find encouragement and information at the Southwick/Granville/Westfield La Leche League. The next meeting is Tuesday, August 20th, in Southwick at 7:30 p.m. Nursing babies are welcome.

The league offers mother-to-mother help in a series of four monthly meetings based on the manual *The Womanly Art Of Breastfeeding*.

The meeting discussions include the latest medical research as well as personal experience. Other services include a lending library of books on childbirth, child care, and breastfeeding.

This month's topic is "Baby Arrives: The Family And The Breastfed Baby."

For further information call Suzann at (413) 569-3911 Or Cathy at (413) 569-3010.



ROBERT F. REYOME & SHARON TETREAULT

Sharon L. Tetreault Engaged To Mr. Reyome

Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Tetreault of 23 Lexington Street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Sharon L. Tetreault, to Robert F. Reyome of Arlington, Texas, son of Mr. & Mrs. Raphael Reyome of 16 Fairview Avenue, West Springfield.

A May 24th wedding is planned.

The bride-elect was graduated from Agawam High School, attended Springfield Technical Community College, and graduated from Baystate Medical Center School of Nursing.

She is employed as a nurse at Mercy Hospital and Heritage Hall Nursing Home.

Her fiancé was graduated from West Springfield High School and Technical Careers Institute, Windsor, Connecticut.

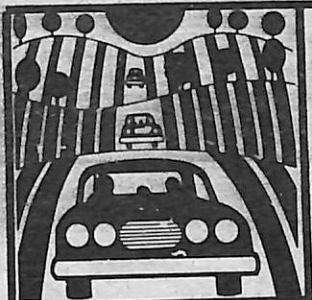
He is employed as an iron steel foreman for Langley's Welding Service in Arlington, Texas.

14-Family Tag Sale To Benefit Youth

There will be a 14-family tag sale and food sale, (hot dogs, hamburgs, baked goods, ice cream and soda), on Sunday, August 25th, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., in the parking lot of Sam Salem Furniture, 1406 Elm Street, West Springfield, across from Springfield Country Club.

All proceeds will benefit Mass West Pee Wee Hockey Team for the upcoming 1985-1986 season. Donations may be made by calling 786-0090.

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"Great Meats On The Hill"

Plans Continue For 1st Baptist Event

Members of the First Baptist Church, 760 Main Street, Agawam, will host a tour of the church and give a brief glimpse of the history and the current programs at the informal "come as you are" Open House being held for new town residents on Saturday, September 7th from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Everett Hodge, church moderator, will show new residents the sanctuary and church offices, newly built in 1968. In Davis Hall, Aletha Barden Hodge, close neighbor of the Davis family, will have memorabilia of the Davis benefactors and also show the new Hall Memorial Chapel.

Lynn Reynolds, Primary Sunday School teacher, will show interested parents the educational facilities for children and youth in Worthington Hall.

In Bodurtha Hall, Dorothy Bodurtha Magovern and Percival V. Hastings, descendants of the Bodurtha and Worthington families, will have church and family history on display.

Coffee and punch will be served and Reverend Dr. Donald Morris, pastor, and Mrs. Morris, will visit with new residents at the end of the tour.

Also assisting in greeting new residents will be Dorothy Major, Sunday School superintendent; Emma Cross, nursery teacher; and Peter Rose and Beulah Bailey, members of the Religious Education Committee.

The informal Open House is designed to give an opportunity to new residents to learn about the church activities. There is no obligation entailed. Church Homecoming Sunday and Rally Day for the whole church family will be celebrated the following day, Sunday, September 8th.

The First Baptist Church will be observing its 200th anniversary in 1990.



SUSAN SECOR of Agawam has been promoted by Massachusetts Mutual.

Mass. Mutual Names Susan A. Secor

Susan A. Secor of Agawam has been named director of Information Management in the Information Management Division of Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, it was announced today.

A native of Springfield, Miss Secor attended Western New England College.

She joined Mass. Mutual in 1971.

"Treasure Hunt Carnival" Will Kick-Off St. David's Bible Week

On Saturday, August 17th, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., St. David's Episcopal Church of Feeding Hills will be sponsoring a "Treasure Hunt Carnival" for children in conjunction with the Vacation Bible School, which starts on Monday, August 19th.

Held at the church grounds on 522 Springfield Street, rain or shine, the "Treasure Hunt Carnival" will consist of games and prizes, refreshments, plus an opportunity for the children to register for Bible School.

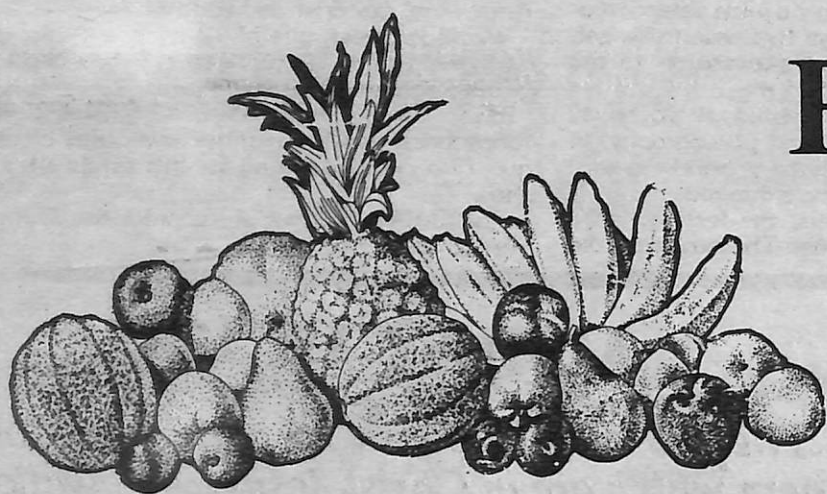
The Bible School will run from Monday, August 19th to Friday, August 23rd. In addition, a car wash will be held for the public.

The charge for the car wash will be \$1. The carnival is free. Further information about either the carnival or the Vacation Bible School may be obtained by calling the church at 786-6133.

The public is cordially invited to attend.

For all the hometown news, read your local newspaper every week

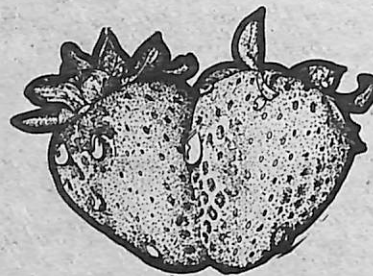
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"Open Heart Open" Proves Major Success For Heart Assn.



SPRINGFIELD MAYOR RICHARD NEIL (center) with Paul Tierney and Steven Lajzer at "Open Heart Open" at Crestview Country Club August 8th.

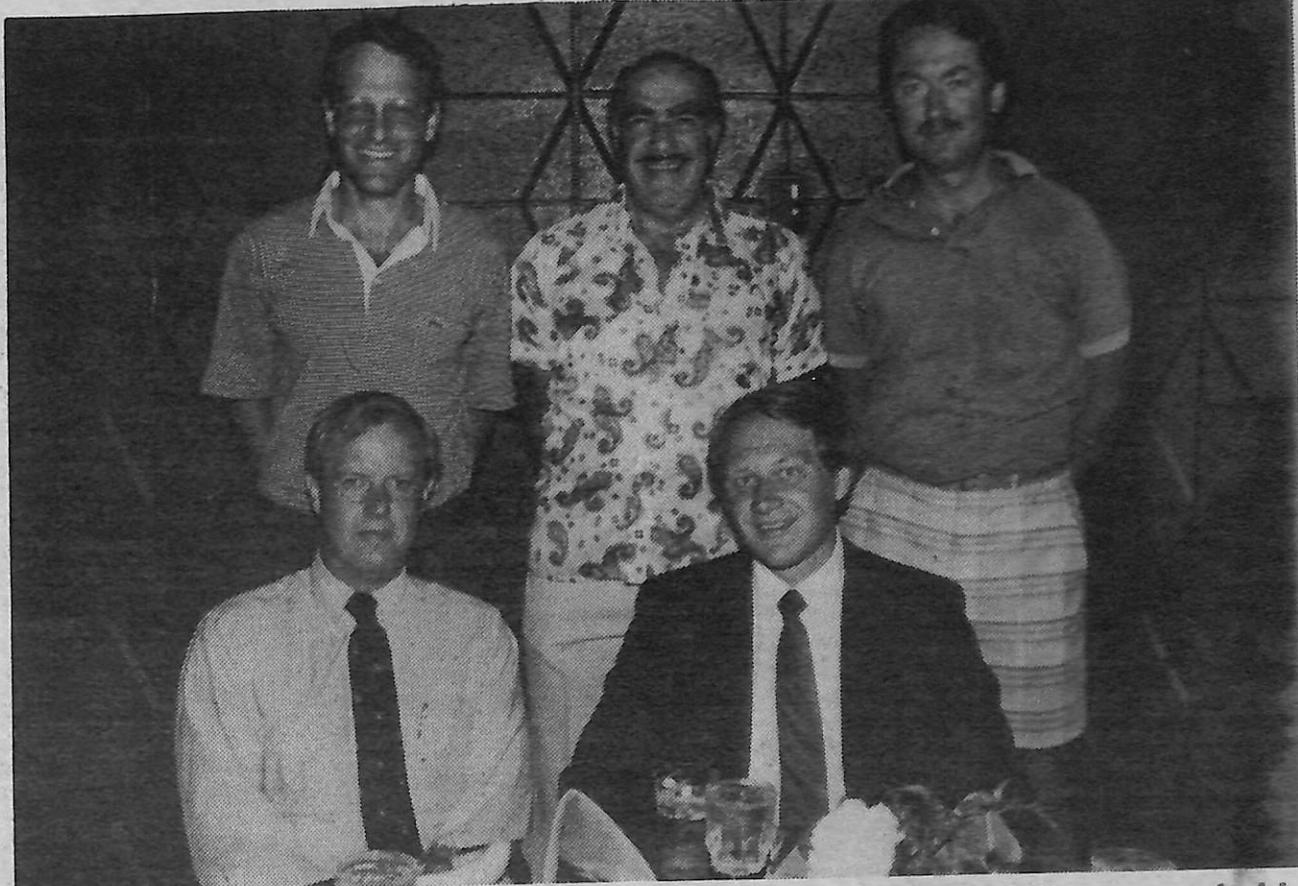
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Edward L. Hottin National Guard Private

Army National Guard Private Edward J. Hottin, son of Edward L. Hottin of 12 Rowley Street, Agawam, has completed basic training at Fort Knox, Kentucky.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

He is a 1983 graduate of Agawam high School.



THE ANNUAL "OPEN HEART OPEN" Golf tournament and dinner was held at Crestview Country Club in Agawam on Thursday, August 8th, with a big turnout of area golfers and celebrities participating. Pictured above at the dinner are Paul Tierney, Steven Lajzer, Francis Mirkin, Jack Rishty, and Peter Harrington. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Mattoon Street Fair Set For September 7th-8th

One hundred ten artists and craftspeople will exhibit their work on historic Mattoon Street in downtown Springfield on September 7th and 8th, according to Nancy Piela, chairwoman.

The annual event offers not only a wide selection of arts and crafts for sale, but also live entertainment, food concessions, and souvenirs. Admission to the festival is free.

All major mediums will be represented: oils, acrylics, watercolors, drawings, graphics, and photography. In addition, pottery, stained glass, jewelry, handweaving, and wood and metal items will be exhibited.

With 110 successful applicants, the festival is 37 percent larger than last year's event. The exhibitors are

from the New England states, New York, Pennsylvania, and Florida.

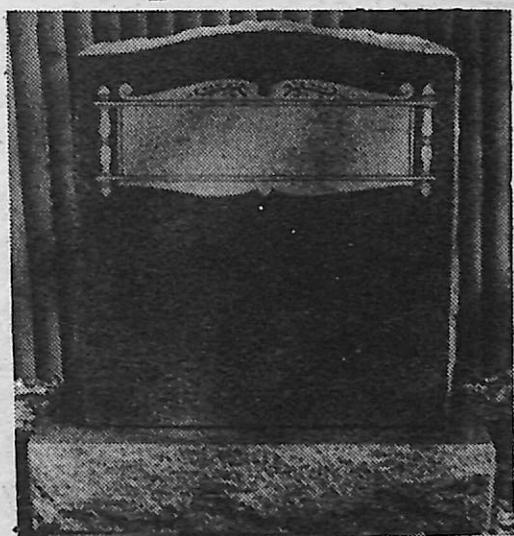
Entertainment will feature Stephen Baird, street singer; Alexander Feldman, jester on a unicycle; and Andy May, guitarist and vocalist.

Mattoon Street, site of 12 prior festivals, is part of Springfield's first historic district to be listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Brick herringbone sidewalks, gaslights, and Victorian brick and brownstone rowhouses create a unique 19th century setting for this established outdoor show.

For further information, contact the Mattoon Arts Festival at 788-0817.

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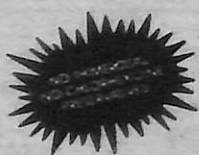
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Spotlight On Business

More About Westbank's New Branch In Westfield's Little River Plaza



LAURA & HEATHER LEBIEDZ were the first children to open up a bank account on the first day of Park Westbank's new Little River Plaza branch in Westfield. Counting their change is teller **Anjanette Kelso**. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



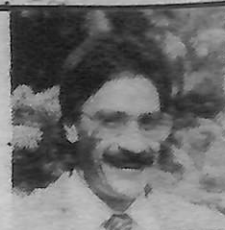
HOLDING A MONEY RIBBON at the opening of Park Westbank's Little River Plaza-Westfield branch on Friday, August 2nd, are, from left - **Theodore P. Kosior**, president; **William A. Franks**, chairman of the board; **Barbara Bush**, trustee, Western Hampden Historical Society; **James A. Rogers**, vice-president; and **Richard T. Dolan**, past president of the Western Hampden Historical Society. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



THE WARM & FRIENDLY STAFF at Westbank's new Little River Plaza branch, from left - **Judy Neumann**, **Margaret Sheil**, **Anjanette Kelso**, and **Lauren Hoffman**. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

MONEY SENSE

by **Charles Alvanos**
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Financial Planner



Catch A Raging Bull

Many novice investors may be wondering how to catch a Wall Street bull.

The answer, for some people, may be mutual funds. Mutual funds offer an investor professional portfolio management and diversification. The average person, with a limited amount of money to invest, has neither the time nor the ability to sift through the thousands of stocks and bonds available on the New York, American, and other exchanges. The fund portfolio manager does this for the investor, as well as deciding when to buy and sell portfolio holdings.

Money Market Funds

Among the most popular mutual funds in recent years have been money market funds. But money market funds are only a recent addition to the more than 500 mutual funds that today provide investors with a full range of investment opportunities from high risk, growth stocks to conservative, blue chip stocks and bonds.

Many families of mutual funds are also well suited for Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) since an investor is not locked into one type of investment.

Instead, a person can switch money among mutual funds as economic conditions and personal situations change. That's important when a person is setting aside money for retirement years that may be decades away.

Shares of mutual funds can be purchased with low initial investments. Investors with only a small amount of money to invest needn't despair. Most mutual funds also allow investors to purchase shares on a monthly basis. Many employers are beginning to offer payroll deduction plans utilizing mutual funds.

Before investing in mutual funds, you should make sure you have an emergency reserve built up in a savings account, something to fall back on if you're laid off or need cash fast.

Scan The Daily Listings

One way to find out about mutual funds is to scan the daily listing of mutual funds in the newspaper. Another way is to contact a financial planner, broker or insurance representative.

Some funds charge a commission, which is paid to a sales representative who recommends specific funds to fit your investment objective.

No-load funds are available without a sales charge, and without any analysis on what fund is best for your situation. In other words, you're on your own in picking the no-load fund that fits you best.

Another way to determine the type of mutual fund that is right for you is to develop a personal financial plan with the help of a professional planner.

For a fee, a professional planner will help you determine if equities or bonds are best for you, or if you'd be better off sheltering your money in a tax-exempt mutual fund.

For a free packet of financial planning information or to answer your financial planning questions, please contact: **Charlie Alvanos** at B: 781-2250 or H: 789-0957, 39 High Meadow Road, Feeding Hills, MA, 01030.



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Heritage Hall Embryology Project



RESIDENTS OF HERITAGE HALL NURSING HOME, Beatrice Marcil and Julie Anne Cox recently took part in an "embryology project," sponsored by the Hampden County Extension Service - 4-H Department. The two ladies are awaiting the arrival of baby chicks...



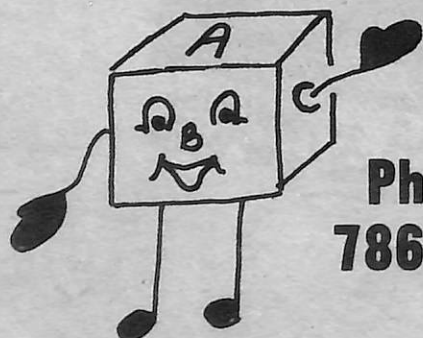
HAMPDEN COUNTY 4-H DEPARTMENT project at Heritage Hall Nursing Home proved to be a learning experience for some, but brought back many memories and reminiscing about days on the farm for others. Here, Beatrice Marcil (resident), Brenda Czuchra (activity department coordinator), and Julie Anne Cox (resident), listen as 4-H Agent Bruce Ogilive gives details about the soon-to-hatch chicks. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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News, Activities From Agawam Senior Center

"ASVP" - Agawam Senior Volunteer Program:

Richard Mundo, director, and Virginia Hennessey, coordinator of Volunteer Services for Agawam's Council on Aging, announce the establishment of a volunteer pool. Agawam folks, age 60 and over, who would like to be more active and constructive in their leisure time, are urged to register as volunteers for ASVP.

By building up a sizeable list of folks with varied skills from Agawam's retired population, the Council on Aging and Senior Center will be in a position to expand present services and offer new ones.

If you have a particular skill, are experienced in any area, and have a few "extra" hours a week, and would like to continue to use that experience as a Senior Center volunteer, stop in and talk to Mrs. Hennessey or Mundo.

By sharing your time and your knowledge, you will be helping others as well as adding a whole new dimension to your own life.

There is an immediate opening for a senior volunteer with office experience, including typing, for about six to eight hours a week. Why not stop in, or call 786-0400, extension 242, and talk with Ginny or Richard?

Lifesaver Certificates

The BC/BS Lifesaver Certificates for those who registered at the workshop for The Heimlich Maneuver are at the Senior Center. If you have not received your certificate, stop in at the Senior Center ticket booth, weekdays, between 11:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m., and ask for it.

Reservations are still available for the **Cape Cod/Lobster Clambake** on September 19th. Cost is \$34.

Lake George Trip: October 23rd, 24th, and 25th. Reservations are open. \$40 deposit required. Single is \$191; double or triple, \$159.

An Invitation For September 26th

The Council on Aging extends to Agawam residents a cordial invitation to attend a reception at the Senior Center on 57 Wright Street on Thursday, September 26th, at 4:00 p.m. The purpose of the reception is to introduce the newly organized, not-for-profit "Friends of the Senior Center, Inc.," and to familiarize residents with the many activities conducted through the Senior Center.

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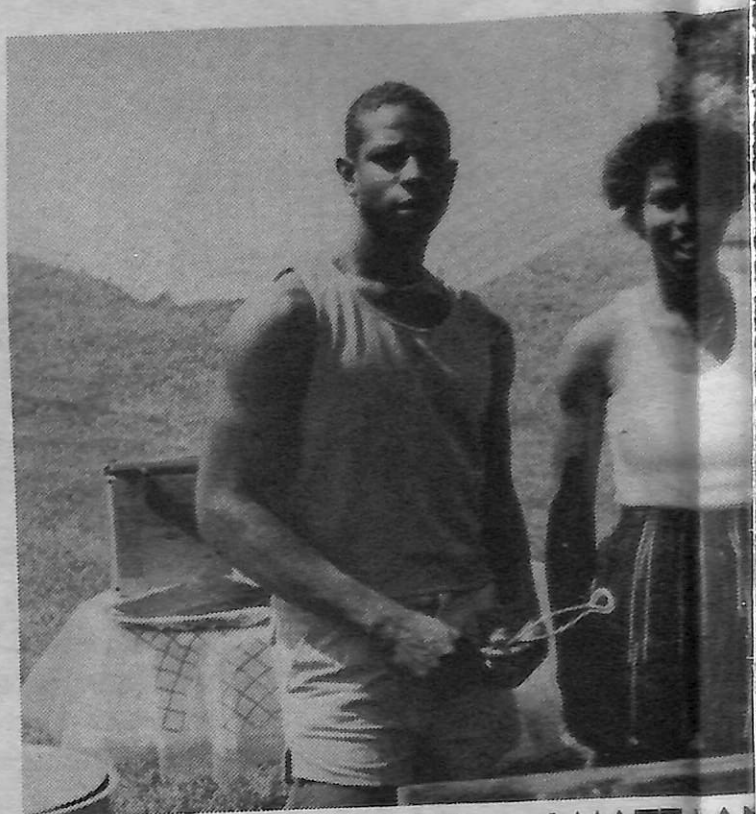
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ELLEN HALLEN, (center), manager, supplies Pheasant Hill Village children Jennifer Vinesett, Melissa Troie (left), Michele Masso, and Michael Vinesett with cool drinks at the first annual outing of the housing complex on Saturday, August 10th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



JIM GILES, VENITA GILES, and MATT LAM grill on Saturday, August 10th, at the first annual Pheasant Hill Village. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Pheasant Hill Village, located on Main Street in Feeding Hills, held its first annual complex outing on Saturday, August 10th. Cameraman Jack Devine captured some of the activity for this



RELAXING AT THE PHEASANT HILL VILLAGE OUTING on Saturday, August 10th, are residents, from left - Alma Benton, Rita Manzi, and Doris Paradiso. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



THE LOCAL BAND "THE TECHNIQUE" performed at the Pheasant Hill Village outing. From left, Scott Eisold and Scott Eisold. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

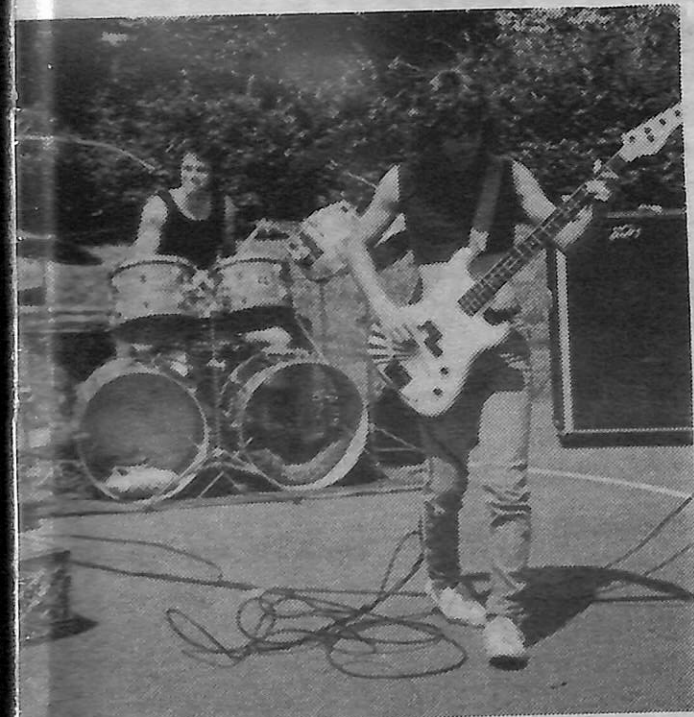


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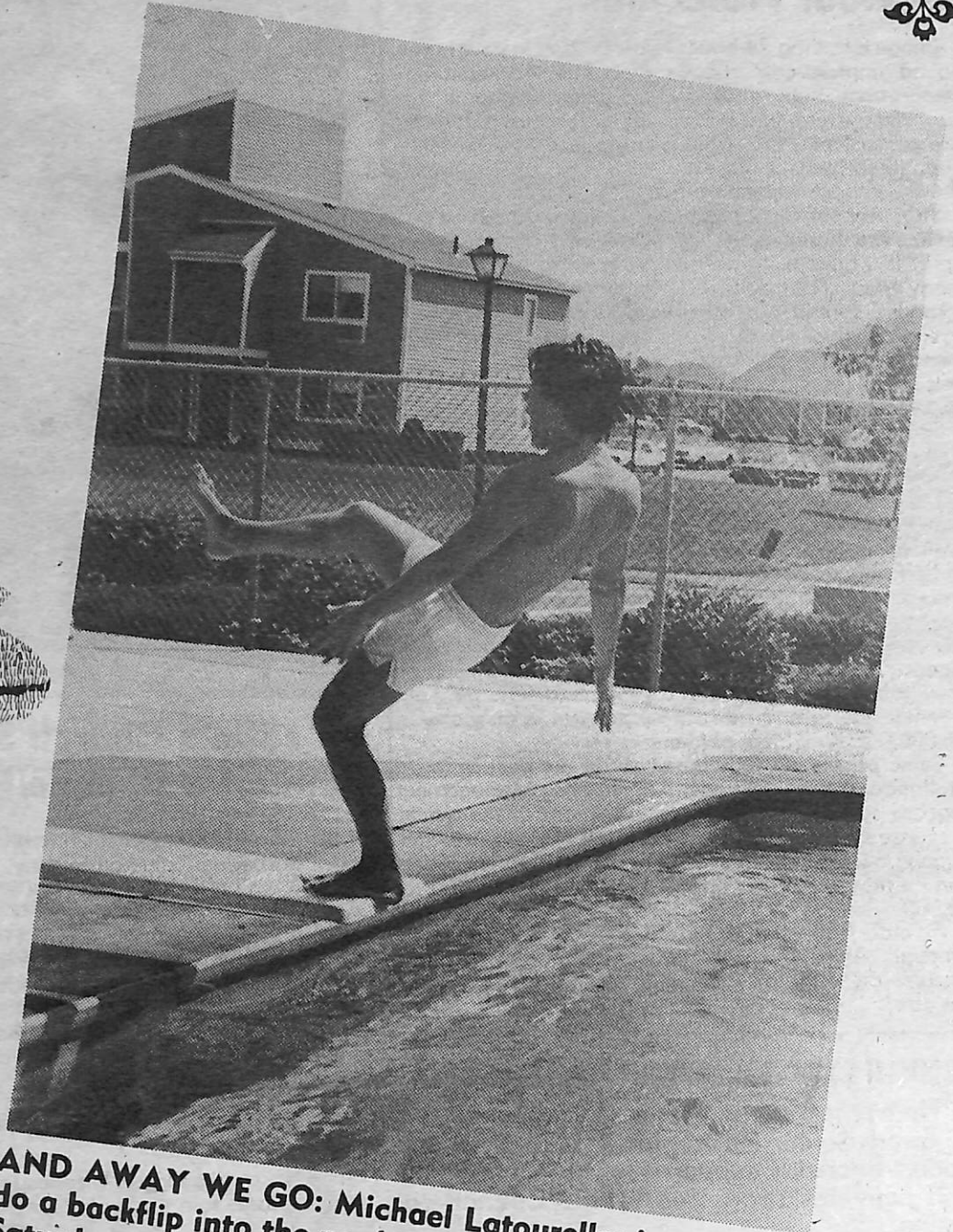


"LANCASTER keep close tabs on the first annual outing held for all tenants at
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"QUES" generously donated their time to
on left - Patrick Butler, Nathan Crowell,
Devine.



AND AWAY WE GO: Michael Latoureller is trying to do a backflip into the pool at Pheasant Hill Village on Saturday, August 10th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



LYNNE LEPORE, DAWN CROSSON, SANDRA LEPORE, & FELIX KRUSZYNA at the Pheasant Hill Village outing on Saturday, August 10th.
Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

FIRE-WISEby Rusty Jenks
Agawam Fire Chief**24-Hour Protection...**

Imagine having 24-hour fire protection in your home. Sound impractical? Maybe not. The Agawam Fire Department says that by installing a home fire sprinkler system, you are providing a type of automatic fire protection. Heat from a fire causes the sprinkler head to spray water to extinguish it or contain it until the fire department can arrive.

Statistics show that sprinkler systems save lives and reduce fire damages by over 80 percent in some cases. Sprinklers have been used in commercial buildings for many years. The combined new technology of a quick-response sprinkler head, the reduced expense of installation, the use of plastic pipe, and the ability to blend the sprinkler into the decor of a room have all helped to increase the popularity and use of home sprinkler systems.

They are being included in plans for new homes, as well as being added to existing construction. Tests of these new systems show that sprinkler heads respond to fire in as little as 35 seconds. When coupled with approved smoke detectors, they provide early warning and early extinguishment.

There are some common questions concerning home sprinklers. Some people worry about their going off accidentally.

According to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the loss records of Factory Mutual Research show that the probability of a sprinkler discharging accidentally due to a manufacturing defect is only one in 16,000,000 sprinklers per year in service.

Some people are concerned about the cost of installation. Again, the Federal Emergency Management Agency says that with the development of the quick-response systems supplied by a home's domestic water supply, a 2,000 square foot home under construction can be protected by a system costing from \$1,500 to \$2,000.

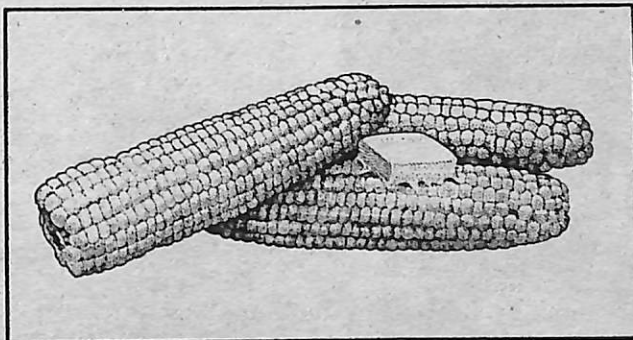
An older home can be retrofitted for about twice that amount. Also, most insurance companies offer a sizeable discount for coverage of homes with sprinkler systems.

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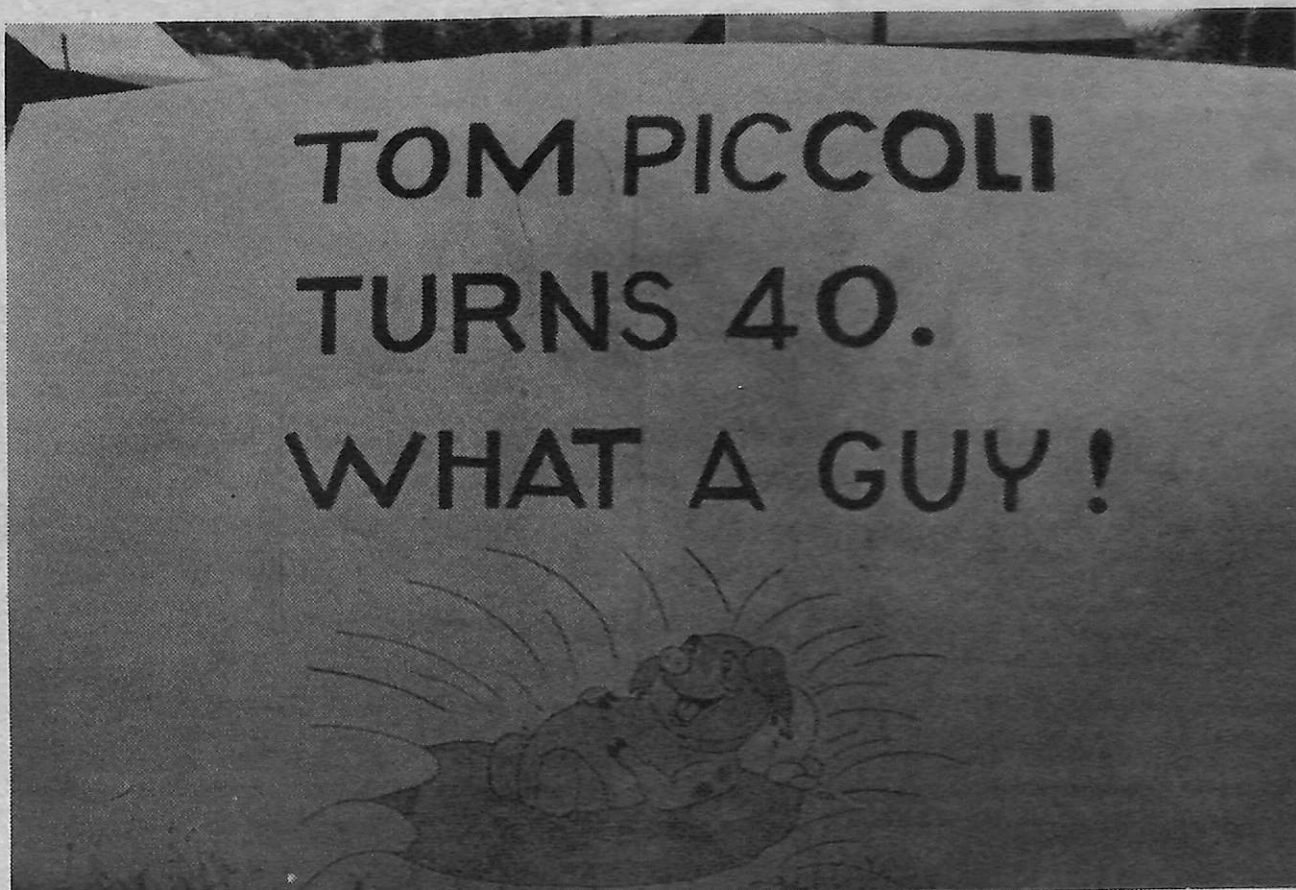
The purpose of "The Friends of the Agawam Senior Center, Inc.," is to provide added financial support for these programs and activities sponsored by the Council on Aging.

It has been formed as a response to the dramatic increase in our elderly population in a time of diminishing public resources. As a growing segment of our population faces this dilemma, we must insure that those varied needs of health, nutrition, transportation, and education are met.

Plan now to be present at the Senior Center on Thursday, September 26th, at 4:00 p.m., for an opportunity to be with fellow friends of our senior citizens as you enjoy light refreshments.

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St. John the Evangelist Church will hold its sixth Annual Barbeque/Picnic on Sunday, August 25th, from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m., at St. John's field on Leonard Street, Agawam.

Chairing the event are Bernie Paine and Bob Griffin, with the help of St. John's parishioners. The Agawam Lions Club will serve their famous barbecued chicken dinner.

There will also be hot dogs, hamburgers, and soft drinks. Adult beverages will also be served. There will be games and fun for all. Order your tickets now by calling the Rectory at 786-8105.

Tickets may also be obtained 10th, 11th 17th, and 18th.

The ticket deadline is Wednesday, August 21st. So, don't be late. Join the crowd for a fun-filled day!

St. Theresa's To Hold Annual Parish Picnic

St. Theresa's of the Infant Jesus Church of North Agawam will hold its Annual Parish Picnic on Sunday, August 18th, at the Polish American Club, Feeding Hills.

The picnic will begin at 12:30 p.m., and run through dusk.

"Every lunatic thinks all other men are crazy."
Pubilius Syrus

THOMAS PICCOLI, who resides on 101 Albert Street, Agawam, received quite a surprise last week on his 40th birthday.

It seemed some pranksters wanted everyone who passed by Suffield Street, near Chriscola's Farm Equipment, to know that Tom has now officially reached mid-life. To make this promotion on Tom's big day similar to a Cecile B. Demille production, someone called us to take a photo of this - all in Tom's best interests, of course. We think the prank is a good one. One thing we couldn't figure out...why this particular graphic on the sign?

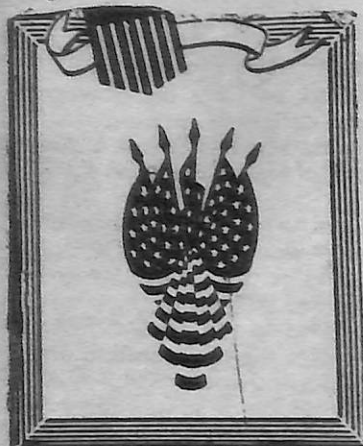


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in old Agawam

by
Marilyn & Dick Curry

PUBLISHER'S NOTE: In Part I of a two-part series, local historians Marilyn & Dick Curry explore the mystery of the Daniel Flower/Fisk house on South Westfield Street, Feeding Hills. In Part I, they Currys give background information on the home.

The Daniel Flower, Or Fisk House On South Westfield St.

Several weeks back, our telephone rang early on a hot and humid morning. Following a rather lengthy conversation, we hurried to the old house adjacent to the renovated and newly opened Western Massachusetts Law Enforcement Academy on South Westfield Street in Feeding Hills.

Although on several occasions in the past we had visited the ancient structure for historical purposes, this particular visit might very well determine either demolition or preservation of the house. Time was of the utmost importance!

As to the phone call - it was Tom Begley, director of Hampden County Lands. He phoned to inquire if the Agawam Historical Commission might consider the possibility of preserving the old house [providing a suitable individual would be willing to move it to another location.]

Otherwise, he told us, the structure faced demolition as a hazardous site on county property. Of course, the call was directed to the historical commission.

Obviously, there was no time to spare and we thanked Tom Begley for the courtesy of considering the property might be worthy of preservation. We were given the green light to proceed in whatever manner



WHILE WE WAIT FOR PHOTOS OF THE DANIEL FLOWER/FISK home on South Westfield Street for Part II of this article, an artist's sketch gives us a flavor of what this area of Feeding Hills may have looked like back in the early 19th century.

necessary to establish the fact that the house was worth saving.

If this was the case, we were to find what might do to alert the general public of an opportunity to claim a fragment of history pertaining to Feeding Hills.

Searching For Historical Past

Throughout the contents of the town history, we could find no mention of reference to Daniel Flower. Yet, the text makes considerable reference to the Flower family as having been prominent in Feeding Hills since the mid-1700's.

Therefore, we must assume that Daniel Flower must

have been a relative to the Flower Family.

Even the records of Edith LaFrancis, town historian and author of the town history, did not recall the name of Daniel Flower. Accordingly, we referred to our source of maps which date back to 1790, relative to Agawam and Feeding Hills.

According to the 1831 map, there is mention of a Daniel Flower house located in Feeding Hills and situated on a tract of land we believe to be the same parcel later owned by a certain Fisk. Mr. Fisk's property and house are located on an 1869 map.

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Looking Backward... Birthdate Of Herbert Hoover Remembered On August 10th

by Mildred Talmadge

Herbert Hoover was born August 10th, 1874, in West Branch, Iowa, and spent his early boyhood years there. His Quaker family of many generations founded West Branch in 1853. His mother and father died when he was still quite young. An uncle in Oregon welcomed the young orphan into his home.

Very early on he became interested in engineering. At the age of 17 he entered the first class of the newly formed Leland Stanford Junior University in Palo Alto, California. With neither parents nor subsidies to help, he worked his way through college.

Could Not Find Employment

His vacations were spent working with Arkansas and United States Geological Surveys. After graduation, he went to Nevada City to look for employment in the profession for which he had just completed training.

He found there was none - [shades of the early 1930's that he would later encounter as President of the United States].

He took a job as a laborer in the mines which led to another area of employment. He went to San Francisco seeking employment from a man who had large mining interests.

While working for him, gold was discovered in Australia. True to the expression of "being at the right place at the right time," Hoover's employer was approached by Australian miners for someone to bring American mining methods to their country. Hoover was recommended.

From this point on, he spent most of his time throughout the world, including Asia, Europe, and Africa. He never gave up his United States citizenship. Also, he returned to the States in 1899 to marry Lou Henry, his college sweetheart.

World War I in 1914 caught the Hoovers in London. Hoover promptly set about organizing assistance to help Americans return home. This accomplished, he turned his talents to help feeding the starving people of Belgium which led him to do the same for the Germans after the Great War had ended.

His fame regarding his ability to expedite food supplies where needed became worldwide. One could speculate as to how Hoover would have negotiated

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FLOWER/FISK HOUSE - From Page 15...

With no further means of identification, we believe that Daniel Flower and Mr. Fisk must have owned the same house and property since at least 1831.

During the initial historical survey of Agawam and Feeding Hills, which we undertook for the State Historical Commission, we gave a general description of the property in question as having been constructed in the 1820 to 1830 era.

The house appears on the Agawam Historical Association's up-date of the 1869 map, citing homes still intact from 1869 to the present.

At the time of that survey, we were informed by a local authority on architecture of that period that the house in question was indeed of the 1820 to 1830 period.

On the basis of this information, and according to a more recent evaluation of the historical period to which this house subscribes, we must assume that the Daniel Flower/Fisk house are one and the same, dating back to the time period between 1820 to 1830.

Certainly, the front entrance of this house is typical of the time period known as the "Greek Revival."

Dating By Way Of Superstructure

Although the house seems to have undergone enormous transition within the framework of the six-room dwelling (two more rooms located on the second floor), it does contain certain architectural features characteristic of homes built during the time period in question.

Evidence of the wide floorboards still exists beneath the hardwood flooring on the first floor, while the upstairs rooms did maintain this identifying factor of a post-colonial flooring.

Even though the original hardware is gone, some of the doors are of vintage period. Corner posts in the downstairs rooms are beaded, and door frames are encased with typical molding of the period.

Bill & Nancy Bateman, authorities on antiques and colonial architecture, accompanied us on a tour of the house. They too felt the structure to be early 19th century.

Bill felt certain the windows were replacements, however, the casing was definitely archaic. Unfortunately, every pane of glass had been broken due to vandalism, as were the pair of French doors on the first floor.

Despite the fact there was no means of access to the second floor (outside of a wooden ladder attached above the stairwell leading to the cellar), there is strong reason to believe that originally there might have been a stairway leading to the second floor (a large center hall as one enters the main entrance).

On this premise, we supposed the possibility of a central chimney existed, although at some time in the past the chimney or chimneys had been removed.

Reached Cellar By Rickety Stairs

We were able to have access to the cellar by way of some rather rickety stairs leading from a room just off the kitchen.

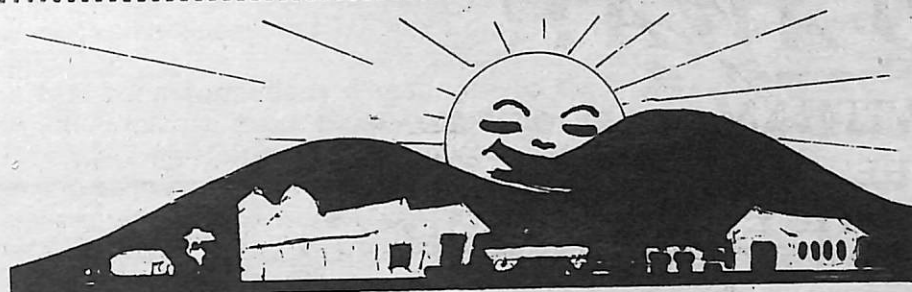
Apparently, at some time during this century a hot air system was installed (evident by the remains of large galvanized tubing found in the cellar). Still, there remained much evidence to attest to the structure's age via large handhewn beams and barked beams that appeared free from wood worms or termites.

The foundation is typical, having a base of well-laid field stone atop of which was a series of handmade brick. This might possibly have been made in a local brickyard.

On this basis, we assumed, as did others of authority on such matters, that the superstructure was in fairly decent condition.

IN PART II, the Currys will further detail the Daniel Flower/Fisk home on South Westfield Street, as well as the local effort to save this piece of Agawam's historic past from being demolished. Photos will accompany the article.

Marilyn & Dick Curry's popular column *In Old Agawam* is a regular feature of the Advertiser News. Your comments, questions, and suggestions about this column, as well as others written by the Currys, are always welcome!

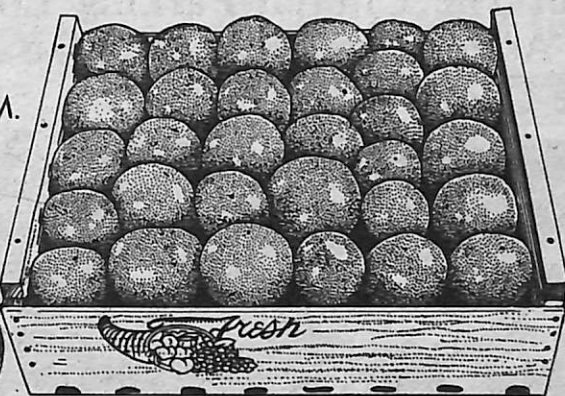


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THE TOWN COOKBOOK

by Mary Ann Govoni

What Is A Whelk?!!

When walking along the beaches of New England, have you ever picked up a long, spiral-shaped shell and placed it to your ear? You can hear the sounds of the sea mysteriously from the inside of the shell.

These beautiful shells house a tasty and unique seafood, and are known as whelks or sometimes, incorrectly, as conchs.

Whelks typically inhabit bottom waters off New England and as far south as New Jersey. They are related to conchs, which are common off the Florida Keys and more southern waters.

Conchs have milder flavored meat, but many New Englanders, especially those of Italian and Portuguese descent, savor the rich, full flavor that the New England whelks have to offer.

Thriving Industry

There is even a small but thriving industry between Cape Cod and Long Island which caters to the local demand for whelk, while some of the catch is exported.

Whelk are harvested from early spring until the winter when they burrow in the sand. Well over 100,000 pounds per year are currently being processed.

According to the Massachusetts Seafood Marketing Program, there are two predominant types of whelk which are harvested, the channeled and knobbed.

The former actually dominates the harvest and are commercially harvested using baited traps, similar to those used for catching lobsters. Seafood processors cook, deshell, and clean whelks, and it is in this form that whelks are most often sold. In retail stores, whelk is usually found in the frozen seafood section.

You can also collect your own whelk. If you do, your primary task is to get the meat out of the shell. The easiest method is to steam or boil for 20 to 60 minutes, then remove the animal from the shell with a fork. The firm "foot" is the edible meat, the remaining body parts are discarded.

Very Edible Meat

One of the glories of this edible meat is that there are no bones to worry about. But, before enjoying the taste, there are two important procedures to remember.

First, slice the meat in half to remove the spongy stomach. It is small and takes only a second to remove. The second step to remember is that the meat is by nature very firm and must be tenderized. This can be easily accomplished by slicing the meat very thin and marinating with an acidic liquid, such as vinegar or

lemon juice.

By adding oil, tomatoes, and seasonings, you can create the delectable Italian dish known as "scungilli".

Another way to tenderize whelk is to cook the sliced meat in a slow-stewing soup or chowder. The long cooking time helps insure tender meat. The meat can also be pounded or ground for use in southern-style, deep-fried fritters or zesty marinara dishes.

The following recipes are examples of the most popular whelk dishes.

Whelk Fritters

- 1 pound cooked whelk meat
- 1 egg
- 1/3 cup milk
- 1 1/2 cups sifted flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon celery seeds
- or 1 tablespoon minced onion
- 2 hot peppers, chopped fine, or 1/4 teaspoon hot pepper sauce
- Peanut oil for frying

Put whelk through a food grinder, using coarse blade, or pound with a mallet and cut into very small pieces. Beat egg and add milk.

Sift flour with baking powder and salt, and add to egg mixture. Add chopped whelk, celery seeds, or onion, and chopped peppers or hot pepper sauce.

Drop batter by tablespoon into hot oil. Brown on all sides. Drain on absorbent paper. Serve hot with tartar sauce or cocktail sauce, if desired. Makes about three dozen fritters.

WHELK SALAD

- 1 pound whelk meat, thinly sliced
- 2 or 3 celery stalks, chopped
- 1/2 cup fresh bean sprouts
- 1/2 cup finely chopped Italian parsley
- 1 dozen cherry tomatoes, halved

Dressing

- 1/2 cup olive oil
- 2 tablespoons wine vinegar
- 1/2 teaspoon oregano
- 1/4 teaspoon basil
- 4 garlic cloves, crushed or finely chopped
- Salt and pepper to taste

Combine the whelk and celery in a refrigerator container. Make the dressing, pour over the conch and marinate overnight.

Just before serving, toss in bean sprouts, parsley, and tomatoes. Serves four to six.



MR. & MRS. ALFRED M. ZUFFOLETTI

Paulina A. Mish Weds Mr. Zuffoletti

The marriage of Paulina A. Mish, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Edward T. Mish of 214 Springfield Street, Agawam, and Alfred M. Zuffoletti, son of Mr. & Mrs. Alfred J. Zuffoletti of East Longmeadow, took place Friday, July 26th at Sacred Heart Church in Springfield.

The candlelight service was held at 4:00 p.m. with Father J. Joseph Quigley, director of Newman Center at the University of Massachusetts, officiating.

Veronica Mish, sister of the bride, was maid of honor, and John Zuffoletti, brother of the groom, was best man. Also attending was Carolyn Buehler as bridesmaid. Norman Corigliano and Donald Buehler were ushers.

After the reception, which was held at the Wyckoff Country Club, the couple left for a honeymoon in Hawaii.

The bride is a graduate of Holyoke Community College and is a correspondence technician in the Medical Records Department at Bay State Medical Center.

The groom is a graduate of Holyoke Community College and Westfield State College. He is quality control supervisor at Hazen Paper Company in Holyoke.

The couple will reside in Chicopee.

For copies of photos appearing in this issue, please call Jack Devine at his home, 789-0053.

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Polish American Club
12:30 p.m. to dusk

Sunday, August 25th
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AHS Class of 1975 Reunion Committee



THE AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1975 will be holding its 10-year reunion on September 7th at the New Brass Rail in Southwick. (SEE PAGE 28 for more details). Committee members planning the affair are, from left - Jane Brodeur, Gail Arsenault Borkosky, Steve Della Guistina, Nancy Votzak, Richter, and Pam Maule Colson. Missing: Karen Lottermoser Mallory and Marcia Atwater Barker. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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HERBERT HOOVER - From Page 16...

getting food to starving people in Africa during these recent days.

He became head of the United States Food Administration, serving under President Harding's cabinet as Secretary of Commerce.

In 1928, Herbert Clark Hoover was elected the 31st President of the United States, and was inaugurated on March 4th, 1929. Due to no fault of his, unharnessed inflation had soared during the 1920's to take a drastic tumble in the autumn of that year.

Hoover's theories were sensible if not immediately effective. He established the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, Home Loan Bank, expanded the Farm Loan Bank, and support measures to relieve states and cities unable to bear the burden of the crisis.

History Repeating Itself

When his try for a second term came, it was a case of history repeating itself. Seventy-five years before, Martin Van Buren had been defeated for a second term due to a financial panic which occurred during his first term.

The drafters of the Constitution had set the inauguration for March 4th to give distance citizens time to be informed of the newly-elected President, as well as time for authorized individuals to come east to attend.

As communication and transportation were speeded up, the time element was no longer needed and the outgoing President became a so-called "Lame Duck."

This was more disastrous to Hoover's efforts for recovery than any other President has experienced before or since; in Hoover's case due to the dire situation caused by the Great Depression.

He had certainly proven his ability to organize and expedite relief, and as a Quaker, his innate kindness to his fellow man was his motivation. We could certainly use another of Hoover's combination of talents in our day.

MILDRED TALMAGE is a longtime resident of Suffield who writes a regular column of historic or nostalgic interest for the Southwick-Suffield Advertiser News.

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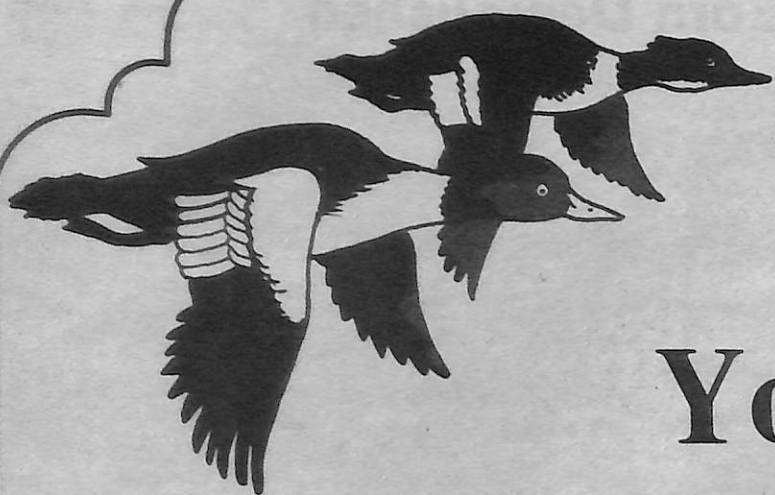
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Scott C. Greenough Completes Basic Training

Scott C. Greenough, son of Clark A. & Marjie A. Greenough of 142 Silver Street, Agawam, has completed basic training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

He is a 1983 graduate of Agawam High School.

Storowton Village To Host Collectibles Show

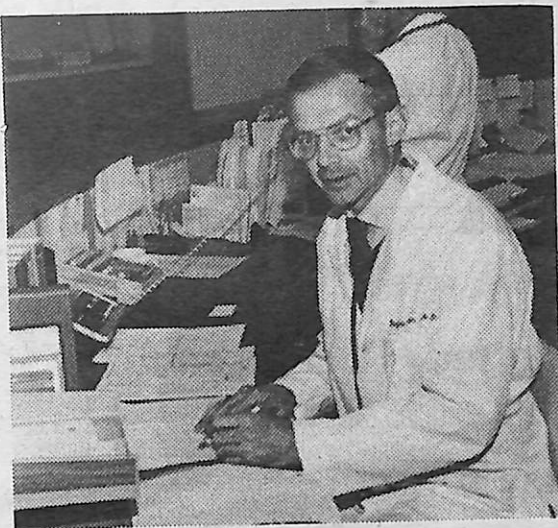
More than 70 antique dealers throughout New England will display and sell their collectibles at Storowton Village's Annual Antique and Collectibles Market, scheduled for Sunday, August 25th, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., on the grounds of the Eastern States Exposition in West Springfield.

Both antique lovers and non-collectors are invited to enjoy the many unusual items available, including antique jewelry, collectable glass, fabric, furniture, pewter, antique prints and older paper items, and some

antique reproductions.

A special feature will be David Rubin of Springfield. He will demonstrate techniques on antique restoration. Rubin has restored pieces in museums across the country, including the Smithsonian in Washington, D.C., and the Fine Arts Museums in Boston and Springfield.

The village's herb garden, located in the backyard of the Gilbert House, will be open as will the F. Potter General Store, and the Carriage Trader Gift Shoppe.



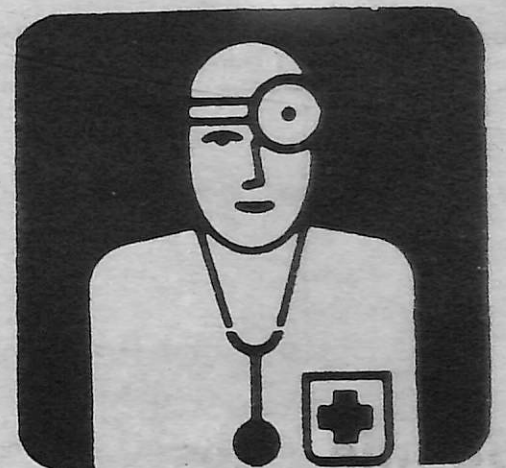
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PHILM REVIEW

by Phil Benoit
Entertainment Editor

Fright Night - 3 STARS:

In this picture, a teenager (William Ragsdale) suspects that his new next-door neighbor (Chris Sarandon) is a vampire. And, when he learns that this is indeed true, the boys asks an aging horror film star (Roddy McDowall) to help him slay the bloodsucking demon.

Though its basically a B movie, *Fright Night* manages to be an enjoyable slice of summer entertainment by being two kinds of stories at the same time. On one level, the plot is a sly parody of vampire thrillers.

Newcomer director Tom Holland pokes fun at the trappings of traditional *Dracula* pictures, such as using garlic to keep the toothy creature at bay. A good example of this satirizing occurs when the teen puts so many strings of garlic and crucifixes in his bedroom - the place ends up looking like a cross between a delicatessen and a church.

Another source of humor is McDowall's witty portrayal of the veteran star of horror films. This character is a cowardly man who played the brave hero of many second-rate thrillers in bygone years. McDowall provides much style and charm in the way he makes the man summon up some previously unknown inner courage in order to combat the real-life vampire.

Besides having comical overtones, *Fright Night* succeeds as an effective horror movie in its own right. Thanks to the story's creepy atmosphere and some gruesomely convincing makeup effects, the film is one of the better vampire chillers to come to the silver screen in a long, long time.

Moreover, Sarandon's performance as the vampire is impressive. This actor conveys the seductive yet menacing qualities which we've come to associate with this particular supernatural monster, but he also projects a morbid sense of humor that is both funny and fearsome.

Pee-Wee's Big Adventure - 3 STARS:

This comedy is the feature film debut of Pee-Wee Herman, who is played by stand-up comedian Paul Reubens. For those of you who aren't familiar with him, this eccentric character is a young man who is always behaving like a little boy; has a funny flattop haircut; laughs in the manner of Woody Woodpecker; and wears a gray suit (with the pants too short), a white shirt, white shoes, and a red bow tie.

A wacky movie in the spirit of the Three Stooges, the picture deals with Pee-Wee's attempts to retrieve his stolen bicycle. If you're a fan of Pee-Wee Herman's brand of humor and/or screwball comedy in general, then *Pee-Wee's Big Adventure* will definitely tickle your funny bone.

Sesame Street Presents: Follow That Bird - 2½ STARS

Big Bird, Oscar, the Grouch, the Cookie Monster, and the rest of the *Sesame Street* characters appear in

this first motion picture from the Children's Television Workshop.

Although it lacks the excitement and spirited wit of the comparable *Muppet* films, *Sesame Street Presents: Follow That Bird* is still reasonably entertaining fare for young moviegoers.

Summer Rental - 3 STARS:

John Candy's (*Brewster's Millions*, *Splash*) stars as Jack Chester, an air traffic controller who is starting to feel the pressure of his stressful job. Upon his boss' insistent advice, Jack decides to take a vacation and heads for Florida with his wife (Karen Austin), three kids, and the family dog.

But, once the Chesters reach the Sunshine State, they are besieged by problems that don't make their trip away from home exactly sunny.

Directed by Carl Reiner (*All of Me*), *Summer Rental* is a predictable comedy with all-too-familiar plot elements. The latter part of the story, in particular, is a routine situation involving Jack Chester's efforts to prepare to compete against a wealthy snob (Richard Crenna) in an upcoming sailing regatta.

Yet, in spite of its lack of originality, this picture is fun to watch. Unlike the somewhat hairbrained and overbearing antics of *National Lampoon's European Vacation*, the humor in *Summer Rental* is subtler and of a more realistic nature.

Most of the difficulties which the Chester family experience have probably happened to you or someone you know at one time or another. By having this true-to-life quality, the film's comical predicaments are easier to identify with and, therefore, provide more memorable laughs than the wildly exorbitant conflicts in *National Lampoon's European Vacation*.

The best thing in *Summer Rental*, however, is Candy's performance as Jack Chester. Besides showing his talent as a first-rate comic actor, he exudes a good-humored persona which makes his character an extremely likable human being and the kind of person whom you would want as a friend.

Weird Science - 1 STAR:

Taking their cue from the story of *Frankenstein*, two wimpy teenage boys (Anthony Michael Hall and Ilan Mitchell-Smith) try to create a woman (Kelly LeBrock) by using a home computer and a Barbie doll. However, when his homemade female comes to life, the boys face a variety of troubles which they never dreamed of.

Weird Science is a totally outrageous comedy with some ingeniously funny moments. Unfortunately, its outlandishness often turns the story into a nonsensical mess, and the humor occasionally threatens to become offensive.

*THE PHILM GUIDE FOR PARENTS:

- *Fright Night*: Rated R for some gory scenes, adult language, and nudity.
- *Pee-Wee's Big Adventure*: Rated PG for some mature humor.
- *Sesame Street Presents: Follow That Bird*: A G-rated film for children of all ages.
- *Summer Rental*: Rated PG for some adult language and mild sexual innuendoes.
- *Weird Science*: Rated PG-13, but its highly mature humor and language could have warranted an R rating.

Old N.E. Stonecutting Program August 25th

Allen Williams of the Chester Granite Company, Blanford, will demonstrate traditional stonecutting on Sunday, August 25th, from noon to 5:00 p.m., at the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum.

Williams comes from a family of professional stonecutters and has been working stones by hand since his childhood. He will demonstrate and discuss the art of his craft.

The process of dressing a stone, carving intricate designs, and lettering inscriptions with hand tools will be unveiled to the curious eye.

Williams is one of the Valley's finest craftspeople. His stonecarving skills are those handed down from one generation to the next, and are a genuine display of the heritage in traditional New England crafts.

Williams is a member of the Early American Industries Association and has taught courses and demonstrated at Eastfield Village in New York, and Hancock Shaker Village in Massachusetts.

Join the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum in celebrating the heritage of early American crafts and decorative arts, and try your hand at working a stone in the traditional method.

The Connecticut Valley Historical Museum is supported in part by grants from the Springfield Arts Lottery, the Massachusetts Council on the Arts and Humanities, and the Institute of Museum Services.

The historical museum is located on the Quadrangle, at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets in downtown Springfield, and is a member of the Springfield Library and Museums Association.

HCC Players Chose Mousetrap For Play

The Holyoke Community College Alumni Players have chosen for their third annual production, Agatha Christie's "*Mousetrap*". This is a melodrama by the author of *Ten Little Indians* and *Witness For The Prosecution*. It is currently the longest running play in England.

Auditions are set for Wednesday, September 4th, and Thursday, September 5th, from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m., in the Forum Theatre of the college. Director is Leslie Phillips, set designer is Roy Faudree, and assistant is Rick O'Neil, a graduate of HCC.

There are five male roles and three female roles. However, the show needs more than performers. Also needed are carpenters for set building, props people, hairdressers, stage managers, lighting technicians, costume designers, backstage hands, and house managers for the box office and ushering.

Show-up for auditions and sign-up for acting and/or a crew member.

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Bonnie Raitt Concert At Riverside Park

The Budweiser Concert Series continues Friday, at Riverside Park with one of the most versatile performers of the past two decades.

Bonnie Raitt, who performs everything from Rhythm and Blues, country, folk, and rock and roll, will appear live, Friday, August 16th, at 8 p.m., in the Riverside Park Speedway. The price of admission to the 100 rides and attractions includes the 90 minute show.

A performer who is noted for her powerful voice and acoustic abilities, Bonnie Raitt has an effervescent personality that is sure to be a mixture for an outstanding show. Raitt's repertoire of hits includes "Louis", Del

Shannons' "Runaway" and Marvin Gaye's classic "Ain't That Peculiar."

The Budweiser Concert Series continues, Friday, August 23rd, with Pure Prairie League and finishes off its line-up of talent with the zany "Weird Al" Yankovic, Friday, August 30th.



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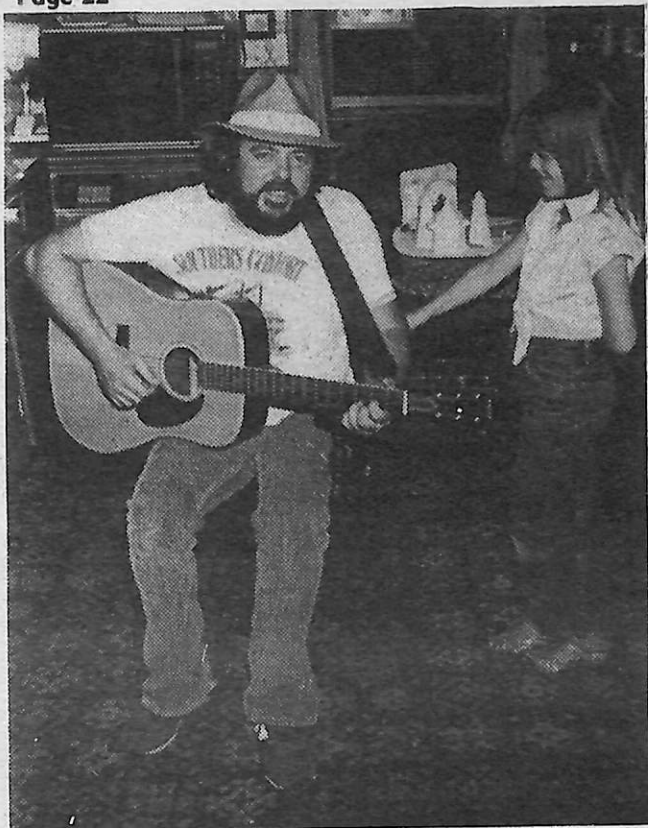
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LOCAL TROUBADOUR Bob Connell, sings a lively Irish ballad to his daughter, Lindsey, 8. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Irish Bob Connell Local Troubadour

by Laura Dugan
Advertiser News Feature Writer

Not everyone has the desire or the talent to write patriotic ballads, but Agawam's Bobby Connell is so blessed.

This good-looking young Irishman, who drives for Sonoco Products of Chicopee during the work week, has been composing songs and ballads off and on for about five years. His latest ballad, he said, "was composed while driving between Springfield and Norwalk, Connecticut".

A self-taught musician, he terms himself a "modern day troubadour" who loves to sing happy, down-to-earth folk songs and ballads. No sad or gloomy themes for him.

With his guitar for accompaniment, he particularly enjoys singing for the elderly and has "done a lot of benefits" at nursing homes and for senior groups. Their response when he sings the familiar old songs warms his heart as they sing-along with him.

Another group he enjoys entertaining are the children, and he has sung for cub scouts, for children's birthday parties, and similar groups.

Inspired In Boston

About five years ago, following a delivery near the waterfront in Boston, he was inspired to write a ballad about the U.S.S. Constitution. He later learned that no poems of note about "Old Ironsides" had been written since those by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow and Robert Louis Stevenson.

Connell is proud of the fact that a copy of his recording of "U.S.S. Constitution" is now in the research division of the Smithsonian's History Museum. A copy also is in the Skeenesborough Museum in Whitehall, New York, where it has been added to their Navy, Lake, Canal, and Railroad collection. Also treasured is a congratulatory message from President & Mrs. Reagan on this ballad.

To date, Connell has copyrights on 42 of his songs. The recording of his latest ballad, "Our Lady Liberty", dedicated to the Statue of Liberty's 100th Anniversary, recently made its debut over WTCC radio in Springfield. For this recording, mandolin back-up was provided by Barbara Peterson.

Presently, he is collaborating with Jim Bollen on a new ballad. Also, he is putting together a group of "Songs For Christmas." All of the recordings are done here in Agawam at Lion's Recording Studio, owned by Bob Casinghino.

The Connell family recently moved to the Feeding Hills section of town. Connell grew up in Springfield but did not, as one might expect, get his start in music in school. It is a talent that surfaced later and is not to be denied, he told us.

His great love for America shows through in the ballads "U.S.S. Constitution" and "Our Lady Liberty." Undoubtedly, more will follow.

Two-Hour Musical Review Featured In Sundays In The Park

"A grand Night for Singing," a two hour musical review featuring six singers and 11-piece Don Bastarach Big Band, will be featured as the Sundays in the Park performance, Sunday, August 18th.

The show, which is free of charge to the public, will take place at the Forest Park Barney Amphitheatre at 7:30 p.m.

Performing musical standards and Broadway showstoppers from the 1930's, 1940's, and 1950's, as well as some current Broadway selections, will be six talented singers from the Springfield area.

Performing solos, duets, and ensemble pieces will be Tom Wales of Westfield, Marge Secora of Southwick, Steven Aron of Russell, Pat Garrity of Westfield, Michael Cavanaugh of Springfield, and Pam Townsend

of Westfield.

Wales, Miss Secora, and Cavanaugh have often held starring roles in many community theatre productions. Aron is a director in Connecticut and has appeared in New York City soap operas.

Mrs. Garrity, the former theatre critic at the *Springfield Daily News* has also performed on many stages. Miss Townsend, leader of the group, this year took "Best Actress Award" at the Community Theatre Association Theatre Festival starring in "Home at Six."

Accompanying the singers will be The Don Bastarach Band under the direction of Art Gilmore, a music professor at Westfield State College.

This same performance was recently given at Stanley Home Company for all of their employees. Among their selections will be "All of Me," "I've Got a Crush on You," "New York, New York," a 1950's medley, and hits from "Chicago," "Annie Get Your Gun," and "Mame."

The audience is encouraged to bring lawn chairs and blankets to view the performance at the natural stage at the Barney Amphitheatre.

The next Sundays in the Park performance on August 25th will be Broadway Revue by Diversity.

Sundays in the Park is sponsored by the Mayor's Office of Community Affairs and Monsanto Company, with assistance from the Springfield Parks Department and Springfield Arts Lottery.

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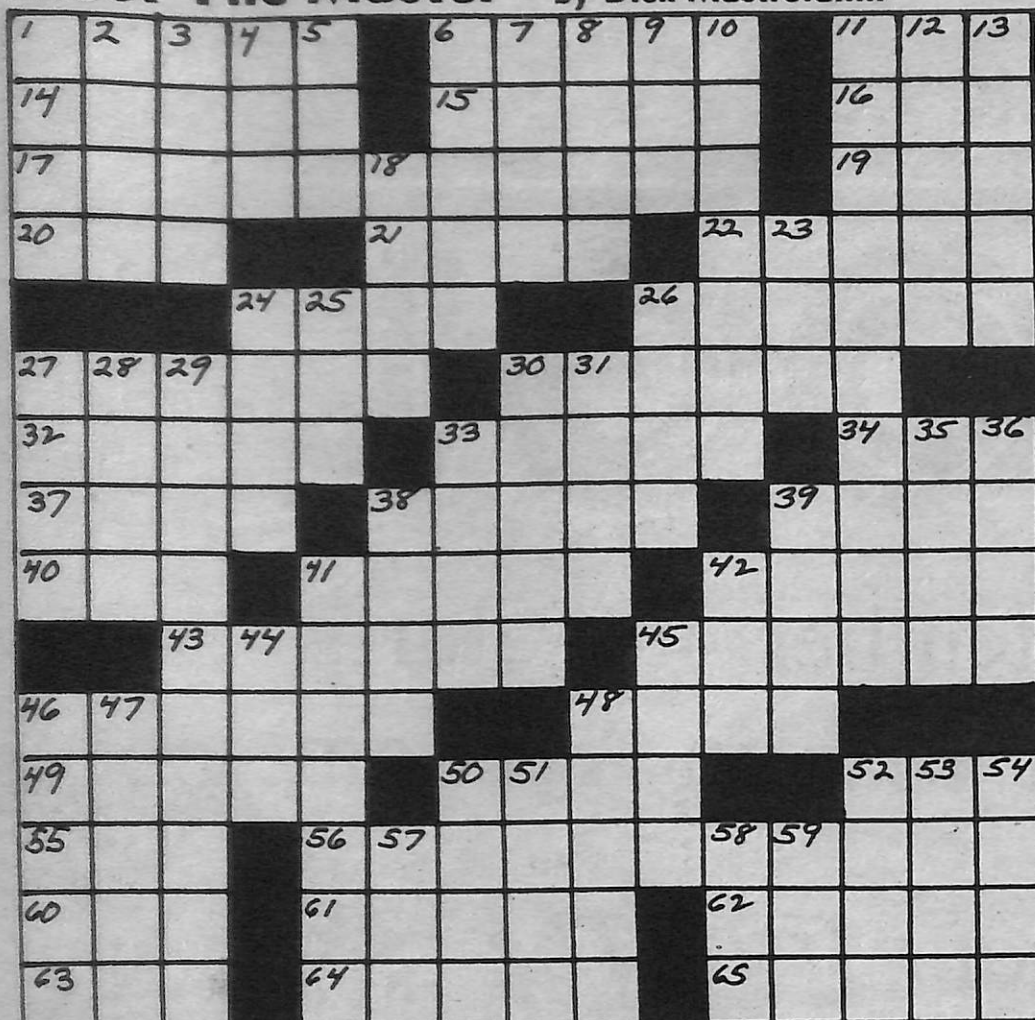
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ACROSS

1. Dance of S. America
6. Icy
11. "-----" or nothing at -----
14. Italian violin maker
15. Solitary
16. Compete
17. Farewells
19. "-----" clear day -----
20. Fast flyer
21. Waistcoat
22. "Sad -----"
24. Greek R's
26. Snack
27. Not observed
30. Hospice
32. Heated turn-down: two words
33. Occasion
34. Debtors note
37. Abound
38. Hurl
39. Will not
40. Spanish cheer
41. Carried on (in anger)
42. Duel with swords
43. Subjects
45. Eye-glass parts
46. Moralists' subject
48. Kind of trap
49. Pee-Wee of Louisville
50. Pharaoh
52. Refrain syl.
55. Male name
56. Petition
60. Go wrong
61. Expunge
62. dumbbell
63. Tennis game unit
64. More rational
65. PGA's Calvin

DOWN

1. Talk back
2. Chalice
3. Barley
4. Heating unit
5. River island
6. Fence openings
7. Yale men
8. Booty
9. Hostel
10. Last meal course
11. Trades
12. Golf courses
13. Smallest amount
18. Bard's River
23. Mimic
24. Bore
25. Attention getting word
26. Pealed
27. Toward, in a biblical way
28. Xmas
29. Lover
30. Vines
31. Darn
33. ELF: var.
35. "-----" upon a time"
36. Mountain Indians
38. Famous uncle et al
39. Travel
41. Withdraws
42. Swamp
44. Towel word
45. Secular
46. Great Lake Indians
47. ----- Haute
48. Guide
50. Cross-over
51. Gaelic
52. Become weary
53. Rhizome
54. Queen -----
57. Notable time period
58. Elect. measuring unit
59. Foot part

Many Volunteers Needed For Big E Crafts Fair

More than 100 volunteers are needed for CraftAdventure '85, the Eastern States Exposition's annual contest and showcase of some of the finest crafts in the fabric-fiber medium found anywhere in the region. This three-day event is scheduled August 23rd to 25th, in The New England Center on The Big E fairgrounds, West Springfield, and is sponsored by the Exposition's Creative Crafts Department.

Judging takes place prior to the show and winning entries are displayed throughout the event, and also during the 12-day Big E - "New England's Great State Fair" - September 11th to 22nd.

Volunteers are needed to serve in various capacities throughout CraftAdventure as well as prior to the show, and also while entries are exhibited at The Big E. Positions include receiving and tagging entries, setting up displays, hostessing, demonstrating craft techniques, recordkeeping, and other responsibilities. In addition, volunteers work according to a flexible schedule and may choose their own hours. They also receive free admission to the event.

CraftAdventure hours are 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., each day of the event. A door prize drawing will be held Sunday, August 25th at 4:00 p.m., and demonstrations of various craft techniques, as well as

hands-on workshops, will be held throughout the event.

In addition, more than 20 area dealers will also be on hand to sell a variety of craft supplies for quilting, needlework, and knitting, plus patterns, kits, and sewing notions, as well as knitting and/or sewing machines.

Now in its 14th year, CraftAdventure evolved from simpler competition the Exposition formerly sponsored and which featured only one selected craft per year. The show has since been expanded so participants engaged in more than one craft may enter several classes.

According to Creative Crafts Director Helen Bardwell, the purpose of the event is to continue the tradition of creative American crafts, stimulate interest in good design and workmanship, and also to encourage creative work.

Admission is \$2 for the general public, half-price for participants, and free for volunteers. Free parking is also available near the building.

Deadline for CraftAdventure volunteers is Monday, August 19th, and for Big E volunteers September 10th.

Anyone interested in volunteering should call the Big E's Creative Crafts Department at 787-0119.

Annual Celtic Irish Fest In Holyoke Planned At Mt. Tom

The 5th Annual Celtic Irish Festival, sponsored by the Holyoke St. Patrick's Parade Committee, will take place on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, August 16th, 17th, and 18th.

This year's festival is being staged at the Mt. Tom Ski Area in Holyoke. In addition to continuous Irish music, authentic Irish artifacts and handicrafts, food and drink, the alpine slide and other Mt. Tom activities will be open.

An allstar cast of entertainers is scheduled including Pat Roper of New York, The Jim Brady Irish Band of Boston, featuring Jim Brady, and such local personalities as Butch and Maeve, Andy Healy and the ever popular Dustman.

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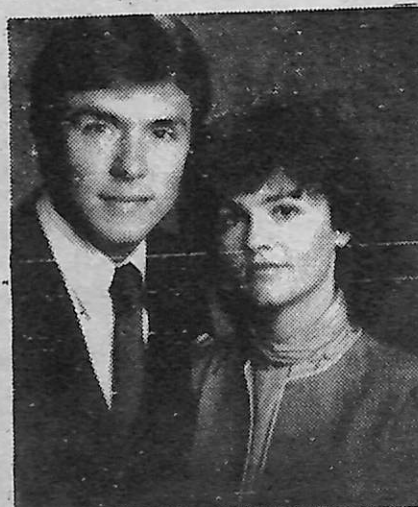
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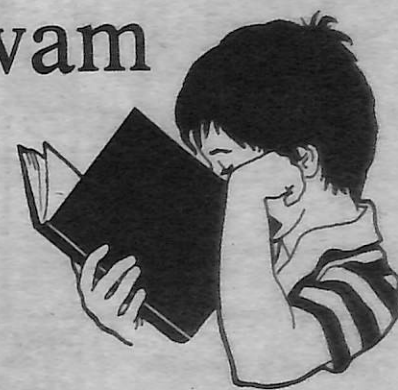
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Wednesday, September 4th Starts
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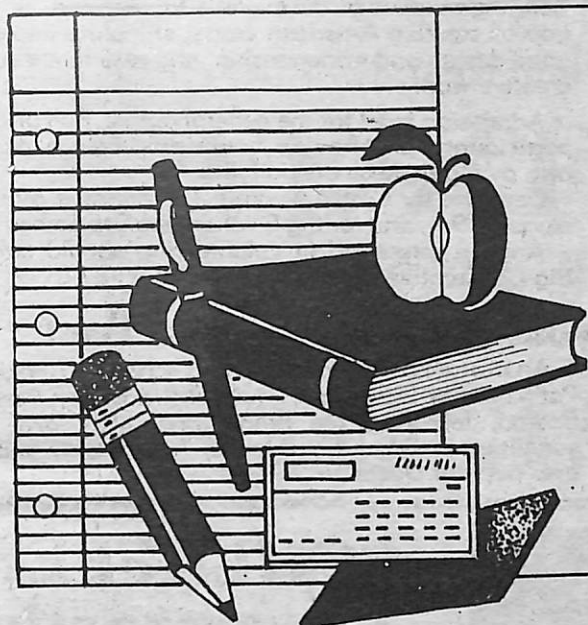
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Thursday, August 29th



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- Many Special Features By School Department Editor Alexis Ferioli.
- Return Of Weekly School Lunch Menus
- Interscholastic Athletic Schedules

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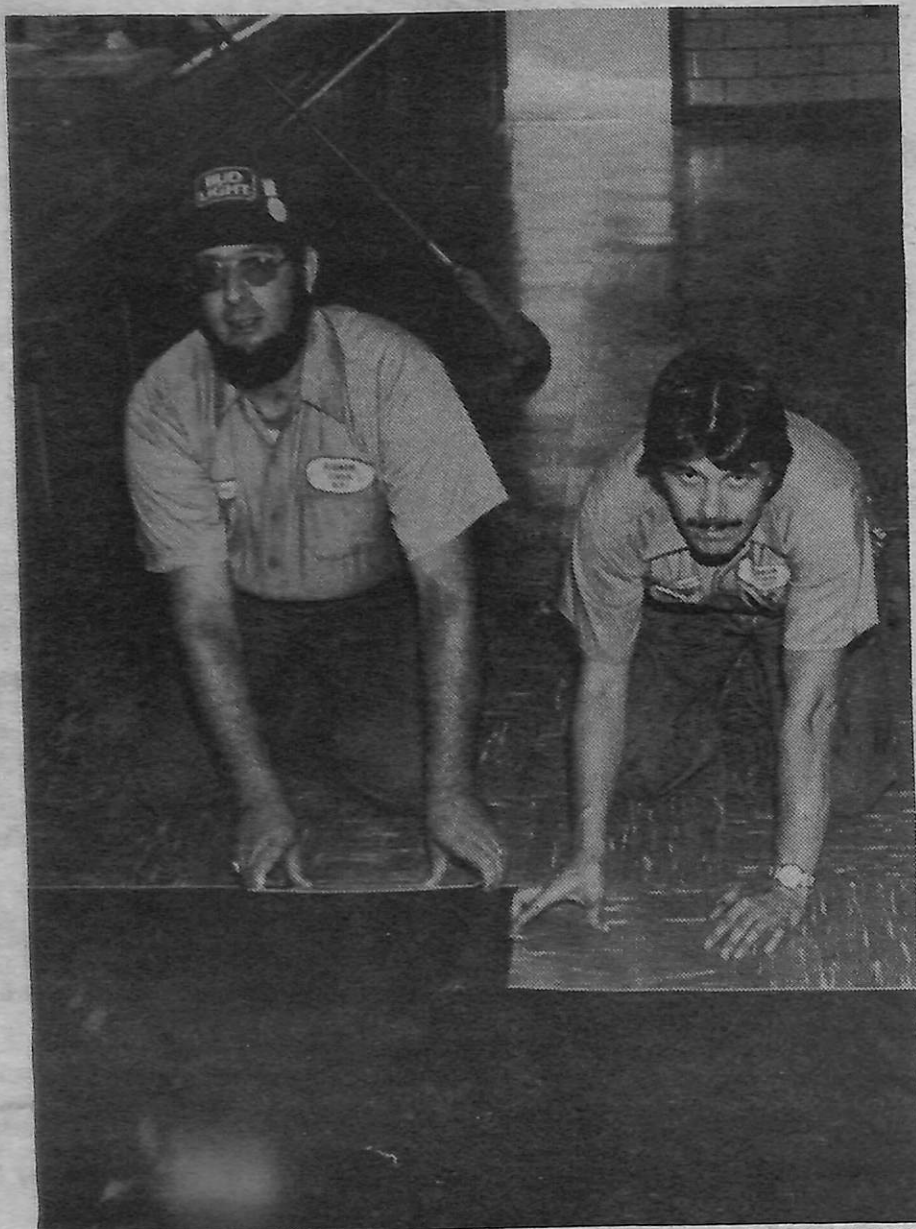
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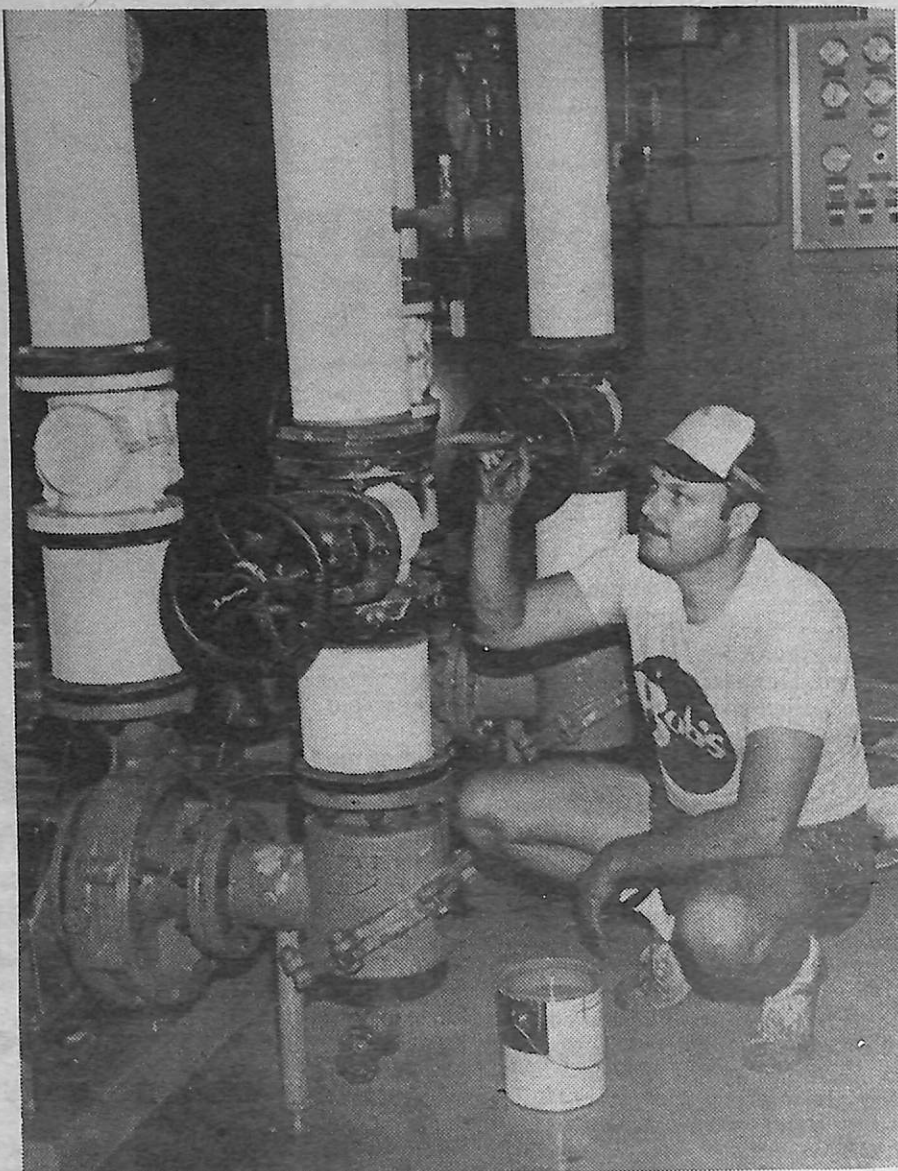
Schools

Getting The Agawam Schools Ready



SCHOOL MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT WORKERS Joe Campbell (left) and Roger Kupec lay-in new tile at Benjamin Phelps Elementary School, Agawam Center, earlier this week. Both men have been busy all summer preparing the schools for the September 4th opening.

Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



FRANK MEAGHER, a guidance counselor at the Agawam Junior High School during the academic year, works with the maintenance crew of the School Maintenance Department during the summer months. Here, Meagher finishes painting a section of the boiler room at the Agawam High School. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Maintenance Crew Busily Preparing For Sept. 4th Opening

by Alexis Ferioli
School Dept. Editor

Top to bottom, inside and out, Agawam's schools are being cleaned and repaired in preparation for the opening day of school, Wednesday, September 4th.

Under the guidance of Tony Albro, assistant director of Building Maintenance, school maintenance department crews are busy completing the annual process.

Albro tells us that to date, excellent progress has been made at each of the seven schools. He reports that each school's rooftop exhaust fans not only have been cleaned, but also have had motors checked and worn belts replaced.

In compliance with state guidelines, new partitions in male bathrooms have been installed throughout the system, whereas those already in ladies' rooms have been repaired.

Vandalism Was Minimal

Albro says that vandalism was minimal this year with the exception of the high school, which had an exterior section spray painted by vandals.

However, Albro is hopeful that sandblasting of the bricks to remove the graffiti will be completed prior to the opening day of school.

Besides painting the boiler room, crews at the high school have been busy converting two classrooms for use as computer rooms. Albro explains that this procedure entails pulling connecting lines between the main computer and terminals as well as establishing new wall receptacles.

He notes that another computer room is also being prepared for use at the junior high.

Please remember: We will be strictly following our deadlines for our special "Back To School" Issue on Thursday, August 29th. Please see our display advertisement on Page 24 for all the details!

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Teacher Charles Heyl Opens New Showroom: C.H.H. Engraving

by Alexis Ferioli
School Department Editor

Agawam Junior High Industrial Arts teacher Charles Heyl has utilized both experience in the local school system with his engineering background to accomplish the transition from classroom to showroom.

The 24-year educator became a new member of the local business community, Monday, August 5th, with the grand opening of his store, C.H.H. Engraving.

Located at 332 Walnut Street Extension, the fledgling enterprise features a vast assortment of engravable items, including plaques, trophies, medals, Revere bowls, trays, identification bracelets, key chains, pocket knives, tie tacs, and pen sets.

Involved In Business For 14 Years

Heyl points out that he has been involved with the engraving business for the past 14 years, but, until now, has worked primarily in his home.

After joining the National Trophy Dealers and Manufacturers Association three years ago, of which he is presently state director, he decided to open his own showroom.

Heyl states that he hopes to compete with other large, well-established firms by offering customers an excellent product at a reasonable price. One way he intends to accomplish this is by means of a computerized "Wizard" engraving machine.

Heyl, a former tool and die maker, tells us that the computer reduces product cost by providing a variety of printing styles without purchasing various types from another business. The machine also provides consistent quality, he notes.

Moreover, personal service, especially repairing and replacing damaged trophies and plaques, is another feature the new business offers its customers.

Heyl reports that since he manufactures his own plaques, he is able to choose among the finest available woods such as walnut, teak, and oak. He also says that only the highest grade metals are used in the manufacture of his medallions.

Although small in size, C.H.H. Engraving offers customers a multitude of plaque and trophy styles to choose from, ranging in price from a scant \$6 to several hundred dollars.

Develop Awards Program

"Rather than merely selling customers trophies, I would like to help them develop a complete awards program," remarks Heyl.

Other services available at the Walnut Shopping Plaza location include hot-stamped name tags as well as engraved name plates and paper certificates.

Open daily Tuesday through Saturday, Heyl suggests customers call for an appointment if placing a larger order (789-2041).

Otherwise, tentative hours once school begins will be Tuesday and Wednesday, 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.; Thursday and Friday evenings, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.; and Saturdays, 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Paula Polastri Named To Dean's List At UHartford

Paula Polastri has been named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at the University of Hartford.

Miss Polastri is the daughter of Acting Fire Chief and Mrs. Emil J. Polastri of 441 Dewey Street, West Springfield.

Miss Polastri is the granddaughter of Mrs. Carlo Balboni of Agawam.



VETERAN AGAWAM JUNIOR HIGH industrial arts teacher Charles Heyl his new showroom on Walnut Street Extension. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Safety Bus Tour Sponsored By Junior-Women

Calling all parents of pre-schoolers or first time bus riders! Are your children familiar with safe bus procedures? Would you like them to watch Walt Disney's "Winnie the Pooh" safety films? Or meet the "Safety Bug"? Or talk to Agawam's safety officer?

Come to the Annual School Bus Tour sponsored by the Agawam Junior Women's Club and the Agawam Police Department on Friday, August 23rd, at the Agawam High School parking lot.

Safety Officer Al Longhi and the Safety Bug will both be on hand to talk to the children and acquaint them with the rules of safe bus riding.

The Walt Disney film strips concentrating on safety, whether riding the bus or walking to school, will be shown at 10:00 a.m., and 11:30 a.m., in the Community Room of the town library next to the high school.

For your peace of mind and less apprehension for the children on the first day of school, please bring your children to the bus tour.

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HCC Continuing Ed. Has Fall Courses

The Division of Continuing Education of Holyoke Community College is now registering students for non-credit courses for the fall semester which begins September 3rd.

Among course offerings are: "How to Get What You Write Read: A Guide to Publishing"-will cover various aspects of publishing, including magazine and newspaper articles, nonfiction books, poetry, short stories, and novels. Learn how to break into the field of publishing.

"Home Horticulture"-this course emphasizes using plants and plant materials around the home, especially to make gifts and decorations for the holiday season.

Learn to propagate and grow house plants, terrariums and bonsai; force spring flowering bulbs, and wreathmaking.

"Write from the Heart"-a writing class for women who want to write but think they have nothing to say, or women who think they have something to say, but don't know how to say it. Women with little or no writing background are welcome, as are those with previous writing experience.

"Balancing Career and Personal Life"-if you feel that you are losing control over your life; that too many conflicting demands create too much stress in your life; and that the emotional demands of your job leave you drained; this workshop can give you insight and practical techniques for getting back a perspective on your job and your personal commitments.

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"International Travel"-this course will explore different travel options available to you by taking part in the worldwide travel boom. Guest speakers from the travel industry will use films and slides to take you on armchair journeys to Europe, the Caribbean, and the Far East.

We will make a thorough study of the many options which are available on the market to these various destinations.

All classes meet on the Holyoke Community College campus and there are course and registration fees. Call the Division of Continuing Education at 538-7000, Ext. 244, for more information.

SCHOOL MAINTENANCE - From Page 25..

In addition to the annual waxing and sealing of floors, maintenance crews have retiled several elementary school floors, including those at Robinson Park, James Clark, and Phelps schools.

Roof Dormers Repaired

Clark and Granger elementary schools have had their interior wooden doors painted, while the roof dormers at Granger also have been repaired.

Albro credits his crews, which include school custodians, for doing an outstanding job preparing the buildings this year.

"This year, we've had a change in senior custodians at three schools. These men, together with our full and part-time crews, have done an excellent job in the schools this summer. The town can be proud of that," Albro says.



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New Zealand Student Arrives In Agawam

A new family member has arrived this summer on the doorstep of the Barbara & Arthur Hastings family. Allan McFall of Te Awamutu, New Zealand, will spend a year in Feeding Hills, attending Agawam High School, while living with the Hastings.

The Hastings' and Allan have been brought together through AFS International/Intercultural Programs. AFS, which is active in 70 countries, is the leading non-profit international exchange organization.

Allan, 17, lives with his parents and his two older brothers in a small town with rich fertile agricultural surroundings.

His main interest is sports: rugby, tennis, basketball, squash, high jump, and trout fishing. He also enjoys farming. Allan's mother is a remedial reading teacher and his father owns a road construction company and a farm.

His American "Mom", Barbara Hastings, owns and runs a commercial engraving company, and his "Dad", Arthur, is a foreman for an industrial company.

Allan also has a brother, Eddie, and grandparents, Margaret & Walter Ruckstuhl, in his new home for the

year.

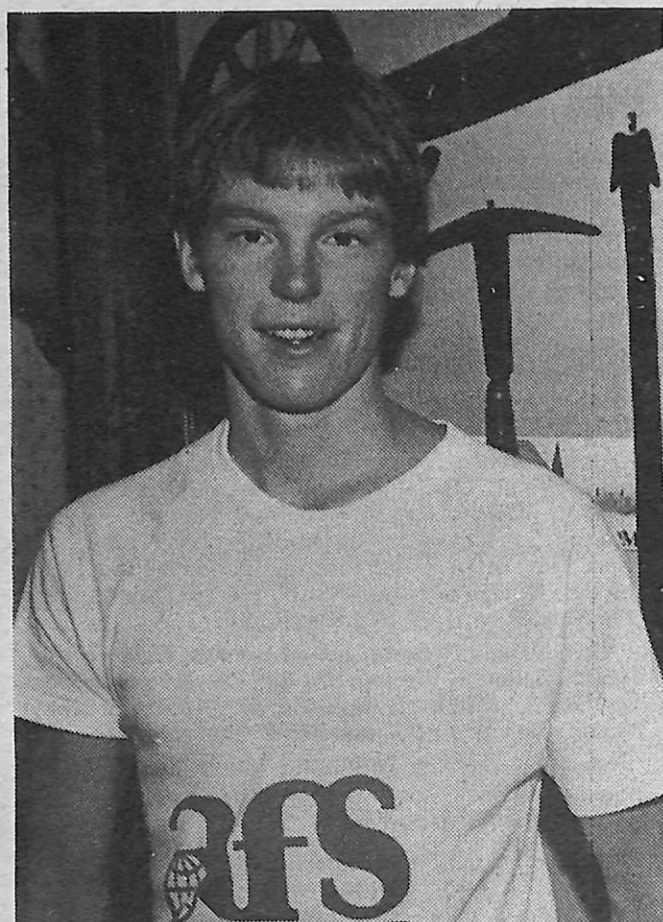
The Hastings and the Feeding Hills community are demonstrating their commitment to building bridges of international understanding by welcoming Allan into their lives and hearts," notes William M. Dyal, Jr., president of AFS International.

The Agawam chapter is run by local volunteers who are the foundation of AFS. They are responsible for recruitment, selection, support of participants, and for fundraising, which helps to sustain AFS's diverse programs.

The AFS idea originated with the American Field Service volunteer ambulance drivers who served in World Wars I and II and who later established an international exchange program for secondary school students in an effort to promote global peace, understanding, and friendship.

Since 1947, over 140,000 students and an equal number of families have formed a global community through the AFS experience.

Further information on AFS can be obtained by contacting local AFS representatives.



NEW ZEALAND NATIONAL Allan McFall has arrived at the North Westfield Street home of Barbara & Arthur Hastings for a one-year stay as part of the American Field Service (AFS) program. Allan will be a senior at Agawam High School. Advertiser News photo by

Jack Devine.

NO ONE covers local schools like our own
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Something For Everyone At 1985 Big E!

There'll be something for everyone at this year's Big E, including a host of events especially for children.

Young and old alike will delight at the many fun-filled attractions scheduled throughout the 1985 Big E. Gates to the West Springfield fairgrounds swing open September 11th for an excitement-packed 12 days. All shows are free for one gate admission.

Thrills. Youngsters won't want to miss the thrill-a-minute Budweiser's Super-Circus '85 (September 11th-17th), featuring aerial acts, acrobats, polar bears, bareback riders, and elephants, plus all the stars of the Big Top.

They'll also thrill to the daring feats of Coors' Great American High Dive Team, as well as the daredevil motorized madness of Joie Chitwood's Thrills and Wheels.

Animals. For a closer look at all types of animals, there'll be Freihofer's Petting Zoo with gentle llamas, goats, sheep, and other furry friends, plus a chance to ride an elephant or camel.

Children will also marvel at the grace and beauty of the Disney Hitch with its matched Percheron horses. And those gentle giants, the Hallamore Clydesdales,

will be on display, too. They can also learn about farm animals at the Dairy Festival Stage where they may even be selected from the audience to try their hand at milking.

Fun. For added fun, there'll be McDonaldland, including Ronald and the whole gang up to their usual escapades; a host of special kiddie rides on the Magic Midway; old-fashioned children's games on the Storowton Village Green; and the ever-popular Big E Carousel located near the Court of Honor.

Of course, "Big E", the fair's own lovable mascot, will be on hand to greet youngsters with a handshake and a hug. He loves to pose for pictures with youngsters of all ages.

The Big E annually provides thousands of families with a multi-faceted experience that is both educational and entertaining. The fair's many livestock and horse competitions, and the wide variety of exhibits and live entertainment, introduce both young and old alike to the agriculture, industry, and talent of New England.

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St. David's Episcopal Church of Feeding Hills today announced its 1985 Vacation Bible School, to be held Monday, August 19th to Friday, August 23rd. Children from ages three to grade six are to be included.

"Fun and adventure are coming to St. David's, and everyone in the community of Agawam is invited to attend our all-new Vacation Bible School," said Reverend Len Cowan, pastor.

"You can add new meaning to your life and the lives of your children as you participate in "Discovering God's Love On Son-Rise Island," added Bible school Coordinator Linda Burke. The school's theme comes from 1 Corinthians 13, a Bible passage describing God's love.

The program features a beautiful island motif which creates an atmosphere of joy, including life-related Bible study, creative crafts, fun games, lively song, and planned recreation.

"We want everyone to discover the treasure of God's love as they share the experience of working, playing, learning, and loving together," concluded Rev. Cowan.

The Vacation Bible School has its classes held at St. David's on 522 Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, daily, from 9:00 to 11:30 a.m. The cost is \$3 per child, and \$2 for each additional child in the same family.

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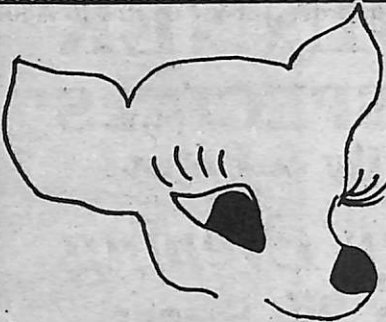
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AHS Class of 1975 Seeks Info On Classmates

Agawam High School Class of 1975 is planning their 10-year class reunion, to be held on September 7th, at the New Brass Rail in Southwick, starting at 2:00 p.m. The committee is having trouble locating the following classmates:

Robert Beilinski, Roger Boissonneault, Debra Bridges, Eric Brown, Barry Cesan, William Cesan, Michael Chelawski, Dori-Ann Chimelewski, Candy Clairemont, Debra Daigneau, Jackie Dalton, Charlene Doody, Elaine Edwards, John Fedora, Richard Fleming, Marc Gideoos, and Allen Green.

Also, Barbara Jones, Sue Kaminski, Michael Kerr, Debra Kimel, Daniel King, Wayne LaBranch, Gary Nelson, Micky Nonton, Theresa Nieroda, Joan Noonan, Sue Oliver, James Olbon, Richard Pelby, Sara Palin, Tim Patton, Linda Pisano, Cedric Pisezna, Doug Perusse, Doug Paquette, Russell Pierce, Dianne Prentice, Marc Raymond, and Kim Regnier.

Also, Dennis Roberts, Simon Rahma, Dale Ringer, Thomas Schmidt, Virginia Skovolt, Donald Soden, Sandra Sweet, Mitch Talbot, Penny Webster, Cheryl Wilson, Beth Wislocki, and Peter Young.

Anyone with any information about these people, please call Pam Maule Colson, 789-0929, or Nancy Notzakakis Richter, 786-7170.

Deadline for tickets is August 24th.

Local Hockey Association To Hold Sign-Ups

The Agawam-West Springfield Hockey Association is conducting registration for the 1985-1986 season, for any child who is interested in playing hockey.

They will be placed on a team according to their ability where coaches will offer instruction on how to play hockey and how to improve their skills.

Any child living in Agawam or West Springfield, between the ages of six and 17, is eligible to sign up.

You can register or get further information by calling 786-5565.

Italian-American Scholarships To Be Presented

Frank Stirlacci, president of the United Italian-American Societies and Clubs of Greater Springfield, announced today that 15 to 20 Christopher Columbus scholarships, ranging from \$400 to \$1,000, will be available to graduating high school seniors of Italian paternal extraction.

Completed applications must be submitted by August 19th. Applications may be obtained from Ray Di Pasquale, 73 Pineacre Road, Springfield, MA. You may call 782-9346.

The scholarships will be presented during the month of October as part of the Columbus Day celebration, which has been held for the past 34 years.

The festivities include the selection of the Columbus Day Queen and her court, the annual banquet, and the very popular Columbus Day Parade.

Technical High School Plans 1966 Reunion

The Technical High School Class of 1966 is planning a 20th year reunion for the spring of 1986.

The reunion committee is seeking information concerning the location of fellow classmates. If you are a graduate or know the whereabouts of a graduate who has left the area, please contact: 75 Kelly Drive, West Springfield, or call 786-5326 or 734-9053 after 5:00 p.m., on weekdays only.



Thirteen is considered so unlucky that at one time in Paris no houses had that number.

Planterium To Temporarily Close For Renovations

The Springfield Science Museum's Seymour Planetarium and observatory will close temporarily for renovations on August 17th. When programs resume on October 5th, the planetarium will be offering an expanded schedule, featuring special Halley's Comet shows.

The planetarium has recently received \$11,000 from the Museum Shop to install a new control console, purchase additional projectors, and install new wiring. These improvements will make it possible to create new special effects on the planetarium dome, providing the versatility to switch quickly from one program to another.

Beginning October 5th, the new show "A Comet Called Halley" will explore the myths surrounding comets and trace the fascinating story of this famous celestial visitor.

The Science Museum is located on the Quadrangle in downtown Springfield.

Schoolgirls Interested In AHS Gymnastics - Attention

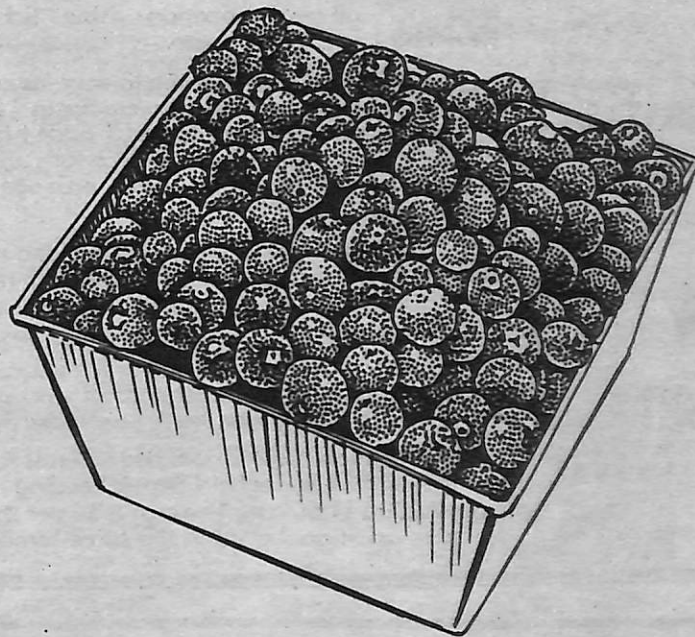
All girls interested in varsity gymnastics at Agawam High School should immediately contact coach Laura Brusco at 786-2824, between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Remember: to participate on the team, you must get your physical at the Agawam High School at 2:00 p.m., on Tuesday, August 20th.

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Sports

Sliech Auto Rules Women's Div. B As Legion Sweeps Past Village



SLIECH AUTO BODY, DIVISION B CHAMPS: Back row, from left - Debbie Doughman, Lori Simpson, Dee Circosta-Aspinal, Sue Case, Diane Goodman, and Sandy Rosa. Front row - Macha Perez, Julie Fife, Jane Williams, Mary Ball, Kathy Dumas, Mary Lou Lombard, Shawn Dumas, bat boy. Missing from photo is Cindy Faust. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Sliech Gals Dethrone Supreme Court, Led By Mary Ball

By Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Sliech Auto Body, the first place finishers in the Division B of the Agawam Women's Slo-Pitch Softball League, outdueled defending champion Supreme Court, three games to one in their best of five championship series last week.

Supreme finished in second place at 20-4 in the regular season, just one game behind Sliech, who were 21-3. Sliech is coached by George Circosta and Tom Sliech.

In the finals, held at Harmon Smith Field, Sliech used a doubleheader sweep on Thursday, August 8th (11-5 and 5-4) to take a quick, 2-0 series lead. Supreme came back with an impressive, 6-1 victory in game three to keep their championship hopes alive on Friday, August 4th.

The clincher for Sliech came in game four which immediately followed their loss in game three. The winners rode the heavy hitting of Mary Ball and the pitching of Dee Circosta-Aspinal and Kathy Dumas to down Supreme easily, 10-3.

In game two, the two teams were deadlocked at 4-4 after five innings. Julie Fife's basehit snapped the tied and proved the game-winner for Sliech to put them in the command chair, 2-0.

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Surging W.S. Legion Do No Wrong In Series Vs. Village Lounge

by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Editor

A surging West Springfield Legion Post 207 team reeled off five straight playoff victories, including a three-game sweep of Village Lounge in the finals to capture the Division A title in the Agawam Women's Slo-Pitch Softball League last week.

Legion, which came from nowhere after finishing fourth (12-10) during the regular season, was coming off an upset of top-seeded Desi's Place in the semifinals. Village had advanced to the championship round by virtue of a 2-1 series triumph over defending Division A champion Buccaneer Lounge Red.

The rejuvenated Legion team, which had its lineup intact for the playoffs, downed Village 4-1 and 9-6 in games one and two, both played on Thursday, August 8th. Next, they blasted the Village people, 11-4 in game three on Friday, August 9th. All games were played at Harmon Smith Field.

The series between Village Lounge and Legion had the makings of an evenly-matched battle as both teams sported talented lineups. Village finished second in the regular season standings with a 17-7 record.

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MEMBERS OF WEST SIDE LEGION, winners of Division A in the Agawam Women's Slo-Pitch Softball League. Back row, from left - Cindy Grieve, Chris Kolb, Julie Poalino, Debbie Engels, Maureen Parker, Sandy Cross, and Patty Mattoon. Front row - Ann Simons, Mary Murray, Cathy Ashe, Cathy Meader, and Kathy Jenkins. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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SLIECH AUTO - From Page 29...

GAME 3: Supreme notched three runs in each of the fourth and seventh innings to put them back in the running. Supreme's defense limited Sliech to just one run as key plays by Lisa Fenton (SS), Kelly Dixon (LF), and Debbie Nelson (3B) led them to the must-have win.

Sliech's lone run came in the sixth as Kathy Dumas' double plated Macha Perez.

Supreme's offense was sparked by Laurie Lappie and Lynn Chlosta, who connected for timely hits in the fourth frame. In the three-run seventh, Debbie Corbin, Tricia Longo, and Debbie Nelson powered the rally.

GAME 4: Sliech recovered from their brief sleep at the plate in the finale, rolling to a 4-0 lead after one inning. Ball led-off with a booming triple and Lori Simpson, Sue Case, and Debbie Doughman followed with hits to account for the runs.

In the second, Simpson's RBI double added another Sliech run as she scored Mary Lou Lombard. They chalked up another tally in the fifth as Doughman launched a solo homer to right centerfield.

The Sliech offense continued to flourish in the sixth with a four-run rally, highlighted by Ball's three-run triple.

While Supreme's offense was rather limp, they did receive a well-hit two-run homer by Chris Fenton in the fourth and Lesa Grantham added an RBI single to close out their scoring in the sixth.

For all intent and purposes, however, Sliech flexed their muscles from the outset and never allowed Supreme to gather any further momentum after the fine win in game three.

Defensively throughout the series, Sliech was back-up by consistent play from Ball (LF), Doughman (SS), Simpson (LCF), and a good effort around first base by Sue Case.

The championship for five of the Sliech players was made very special as they've been playing together (under various sponsors) for five years. They are: Circosta-Aspinal, Simpson, Fife, Ball, and Case.

"Winning this feels great, especially since five of us have been playing together for five years. We feel this is the best team we've been on yet, and we wouldn't have won it without everyone's help," praised Mary Ball, who could be considered the series unofficial most valuable player.

SERIES SWEEP - From Page 29...

GAME 1: In this low-scoring contest, timely hits from Legion proved the key to their success. They opened the scoring with two runs in the first. With two outs, Ann Simons walked, Debbie Engels nailed a basehit, and hot-hitting Sandy Cross plated both of them with a double.

Clinging to their 2-0 edge, Legion added another run when Kathy Jenkins doubled and was brought home by a Cathy Ashe single.

Village, which usually racks-up the runs in droves, was held to only one. Marcia Barker's RBI single in the third inning was their only offense.

Legion added an insurance run in the fifth with consecutive singles by Ashe and Cathy Meader, followed by a run-scoring safety by Cindy Grieve.

GAME 2: In this game, which began as a defensive struggle, it went 0-0 until the fourth inning. Village snapped the stalemate with a four-run rally in the top of the fourth. Barker, who was one of their most consistent hitters, knocked in two of the runs to highlight the surge.

Legion clawed right back with three runs that same inning on five consecutive basehits by Meader, Grieve, Engels, Cross, and Simons.

Village padded their lead to 6-3 in the top of the fifth on two errors and a sacrifice fly. But, in the bottom of the sixth, Legion went wild offensively, scoring six runs to put them back in the driver's seat.

Three extra-basehits ignited the salvo, as Mary Murray (double), Kris Kolb (double), and Ashe (triple) led the parade. With the bases loaded, Meader rapped an RBI single and was followed by Cross' two-run triple, and a run-scoring safety.

Village's best response to Legion's onslaught was a lone run in the sixth (RBI single by Karen Fitzgerald). Standing out defensively for Legion were Julie Paolini at third base and outfielders Grieve and Jenkins.

GAME 3: In what proved to be the deciding game, Legion made certain there was little drama as they continued their torrid hitting (15) en route to a one-sided series clincher.

Village, desperately needing to get their first series victory, relied on Kathy Fabbri, who produced two of their runs. That was about all they could muster, however.

Legion used key hits by Meader, Grieve, and Cross, combined with two errors to plate three runs. Ashe stroked a single to rightfield to up their lead to 4-1 after three innings.

The champions pulled away for good in the fifth with a four-run rally powered by Engel's two-run homer to right centerfield, and a triple by Simons.

Cathy Ashe was the winning pitcher in all five of Legion's playoff games.

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MEMBERS OF SUPREME COURTS, runnersup in Division B of the Agawam Women's Slo-Pitch Softball League. Back row, from left - Chris Fenton, Lynn Chlosta, Laurie Lappie, Coach Ed Beaudry, Marsha Ramah, Debbie Nelson, and Tricia Longo. Front row - Lisa Fenton, Sue Schaefer, Kelly Dickson, Debbie Corbin, Lesa Grantham, and Jean Kelley. Missing: Diane Hopkins, Janice Schaub, and Sharon Falls. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



TEAM MEMBERS OF VILLAGE LOUNGE, runners-up in Division A of the Agawam Women's Slo-Pitch Softball League. Back row, from left - Liz Pappas, Laurie McLoone, Marcia Barker, Leslie Clark-Plante, Melanie Hoelter, Peg Buckley, Diane Kwarciany, and Lisa Cupillo. Front row - Darcy Galarneau, Judy McGeary, Joan Brodeur, Patty Hedges, and Kathy Fabbri. Missing: Martha Fitzpatrick and Karen Fitzgerald. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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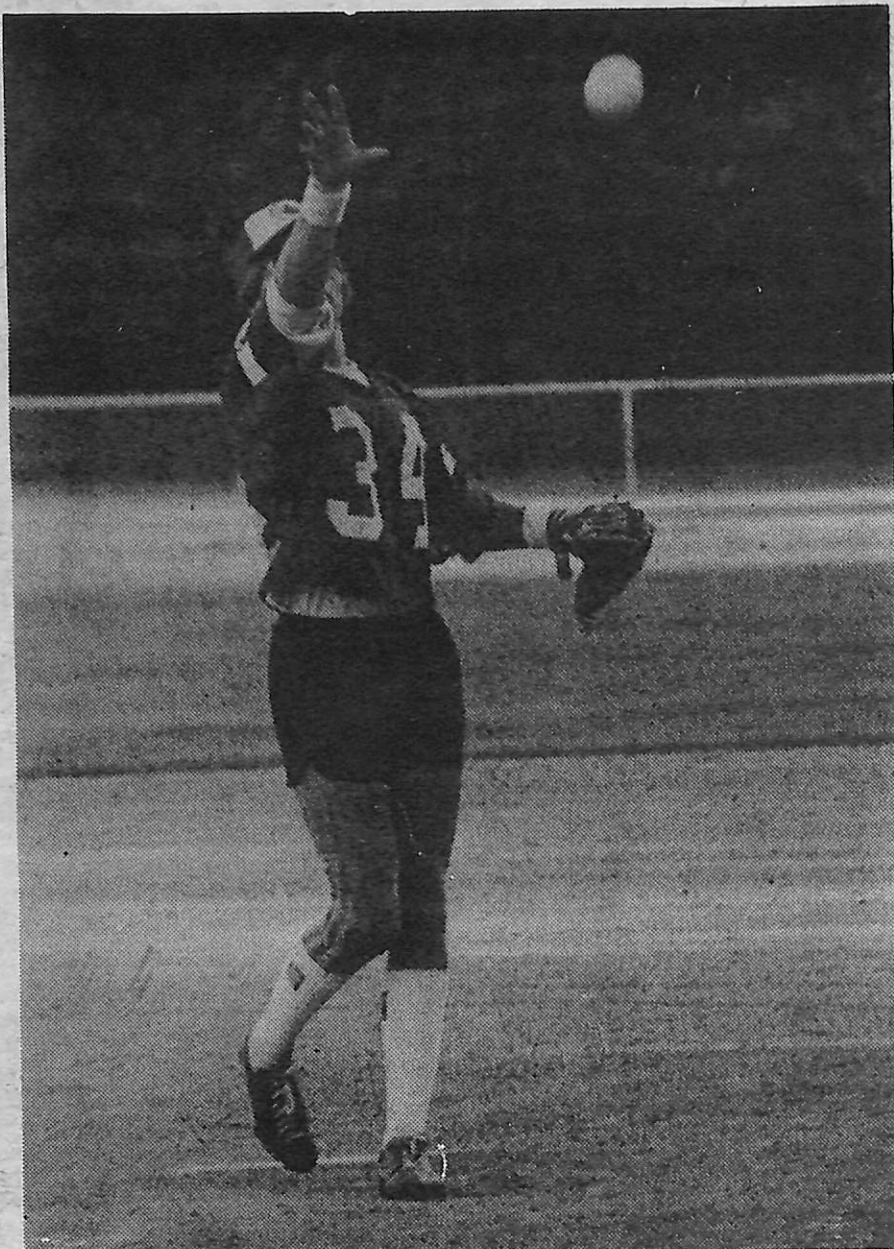
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GARY "SKIN 'N BONES" EGGLESTON grits his teeth and awaits a moonball to powder into parts unknown during Gino's Liquors' 13-1 rout of Antonio's Pizza on Monday, August 12th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ANTONIO'S PITCHER BOB NOWAK had more than his share of problems trying to handle the red-hot bats of Gino's Liquors. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Gino's Liquors Blast Antonio's, 13-1

by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Editor

As the fierce battle for playoff spots continues to intensify in the final days of the Agawam Men's Slo-Pitch Softball League, one thing is for sure - Gino's Liquors has its sights set on first place in Division B-National.

They used a 13-1 rout of Antonio's Pizza (12-run rule was utilized to end the game) on Monday, August 12th, at Borgatti Park.

Division B-National is the most competitive of the entire Agawam league as the top eight playoff teams from this division have yet to be determined at presstime. The playoffs begin on Thursday, August 15th. Gino's owns a 19-4-4 record, leading second place Desi's Place (20-6-1) and Feeding Hills Public Market (20-6-1). Teddy Bear Pools, who once owned the top spot, have dropped off to 18-7-2.

An emotionally high Gino's squad, sensing their chances for a first place finish, scored in all five innings to completely smother Antonio's, who are one of those borderline teams near the cutoff of the playoff berths to be awarded (16-12).

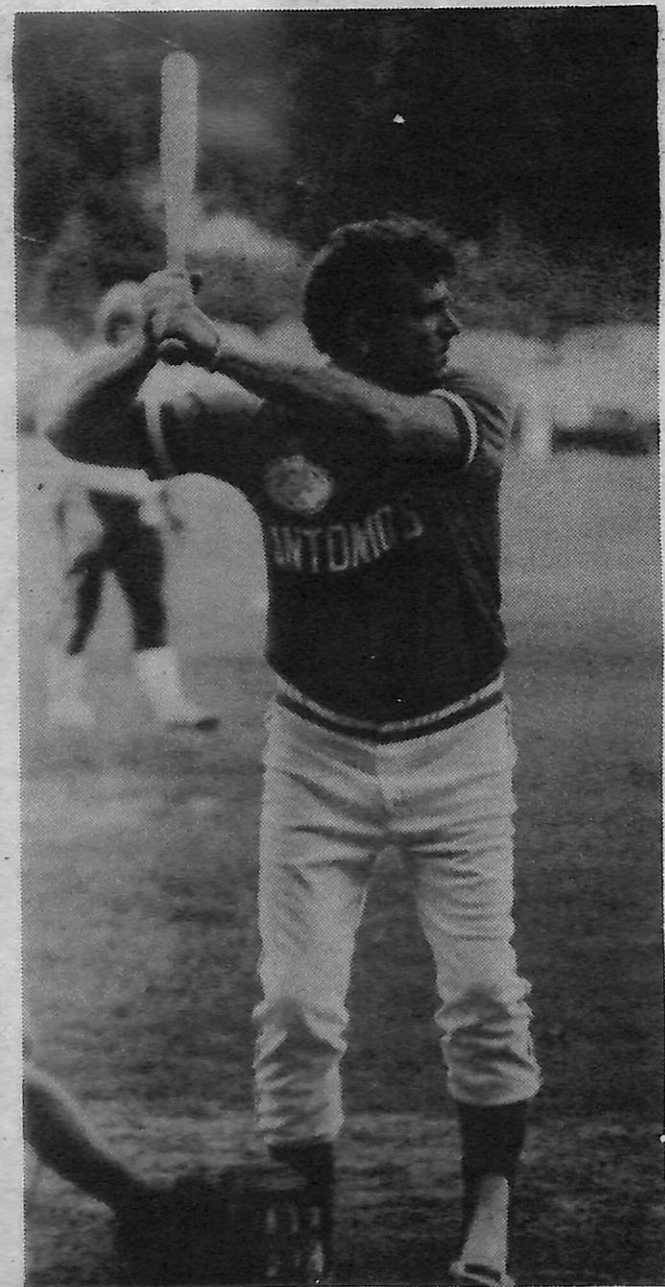
Antonio's got on the scoreboard first when third baseman Bruce Weed cracked a run-scoring single to centerfield, which would prove to be their only lead of the game, 1-0.

In the bottom of the first with one out, consecutive singles by Buddy Ramah, Gary "Skin N' Bones" Eggleston, and Keith Grochal scored their first run. Brian

Jarry came up with a big two-run double, lifting Gino's to a 3-1 lead.

In the bottom of the third, Ray Rossi and Al Sapelli singled. Hustling baserunning by Rossi on Sapelli's hit put him on third, setting up Anthony Veteramo's sacrifice fly. Bobby Eggleston ripped a single to rightfield for a 5-1 lead.

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LENNY FREDETTE, player/coach of Antonio's Pizza, wasn't very happy about the shellacking his team took at the bats of Gino's Liquors, Monday, August 12th. He vowed revenge when the playoffs start later this week. Advertiser

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Consolini Connection Leads Bogeys To Grab 2nd Place In Div. B

by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The "Consolini Connection," brothers Glenn, Mark, and Scott, provided the heroics in the field to highlight Bogey's 7-1 win over Abbett Tax in the wind-up of the regular season in the Division B-American of the Agawam Men's Slo-Pitch Softball League on Monday, August 12th, at Borgatti Park.

The victory secured Bogey's a second place finish with the playoffs beginning at presstime. They own a 22-7-1 mark while Abbett Tax finished the year in third place with an 18-11 mark.

After Abbett Tax scored a run on a sacrifice fly in the first inning, Bogey's defense shut them down cold. The Consolini's - Glenn (3B), Mark (2B), and Scott (SS), gobbled up everything Abbett hit their way. Winning pitcher Ken Gunn held Abbett to just six meaningless singles during the game.

Bogey's began their scoring in the first inning with Mike Zaborowski's sacrifice fly to rightfield. They added another tally in the third when Al Carmel's hard shot off the second baseman's glove pushed home the run.

Chris Manolakis had a lead-off single in the third and it was the only hit Abbett Tax could muster in the third, fourth, or fifth innings.

Meanwhile, Bogey's Bob Schweinn smashed an inside-the-park solo homer to the right centerfield gap. An identical blast by speedy Mark Consolini opened the sixth frame, extending Bogey's lead to 4-1.

Agawam CC Hosts Benefits Golf Tourney

Sign-ups for the Second Annual Greater Westfield Foster Parent Association Benefit Golf Tournament are promising. The golf tournament will be held at the Agawam Country Club on Saturday, August 17th. Tee-off time is at 10:00 a.m.

Community businesses and leaders are supporting this tournament. Donations have been received to sponsor golfers and provide prizes. The donations are from BayBank Valley, Stanhome, Inc., Westfield Joint Venture, Berkshire Industries, Abdows, Riverside Park, and Mr. & Mrs. John Halldin, Sr.

The day is full of activities for golfers and their families. A raffle will be held, a hole-in-one contest, lunch at the 10th hole, and a dinner at the Brass Rail in Southwick in the evening.

Budweiser Giveaway At Riverside Aug. 17th

As another successful season comes to a conclusion at Riverside Speedway, the management has something special for race fans.

Budweiser, through its association with Williams Distributing, will offer another Bonus Giveaway to the race fans at Riverside on Saturday, August 17th.

The Nascar Winston Racing Series will feature a regular tripleheader program that offers 3,500 free special edition Budweiser Light designer key chains. These will be distributed to the first 3,500 race fans through the stadium gates at 5:00 p.m.

The special collectors' key chains are valued at \$5 each and will be presented while supply lasts on a first-come, first-serve basis.

For the competitors, it's another \$1,200 Bud Light bonus event. This means that every qualifying heat will pay at least \$100 for first, and will include second and third.

Besides being a Budweiser Bonus event, it will also be the last regular Saturday Night 50-lap program before the running of the R.J. REYNOLDS WINSTON 200, Riverside's highest paying event of the 1985 season. The program is also scheduled to be a Pocono CAM-2 Race of Champions Qualifier.

Expected in the 50-Lap Bud Light Special will be Reggie Ruggiero, John Rosati, Stan Greger, S.J. Evonson, Mike McLaughlin, Corky Cookman, Wade Cole, Bruce D'Allessandro, Mike Stefanik, Jerry Marquis, Ted Riggott, and Craig Gabbriel. Outside contenders in search of the CAM 2 points and cash could possibly include Jim Specer, Richie Evans, and George Kent.

The Pro Stocks will also share in the excitement with a 20-lap feature event. Expected regulars include Jim McCallum, Reggie Ruggiero, Paul Surprenant, Rick Turcotte, Jerry Marquis, Ken Lavoie, and Pete Fian-daca. Heats will also pay bonus cash. This event will also be a key race in the final point total.

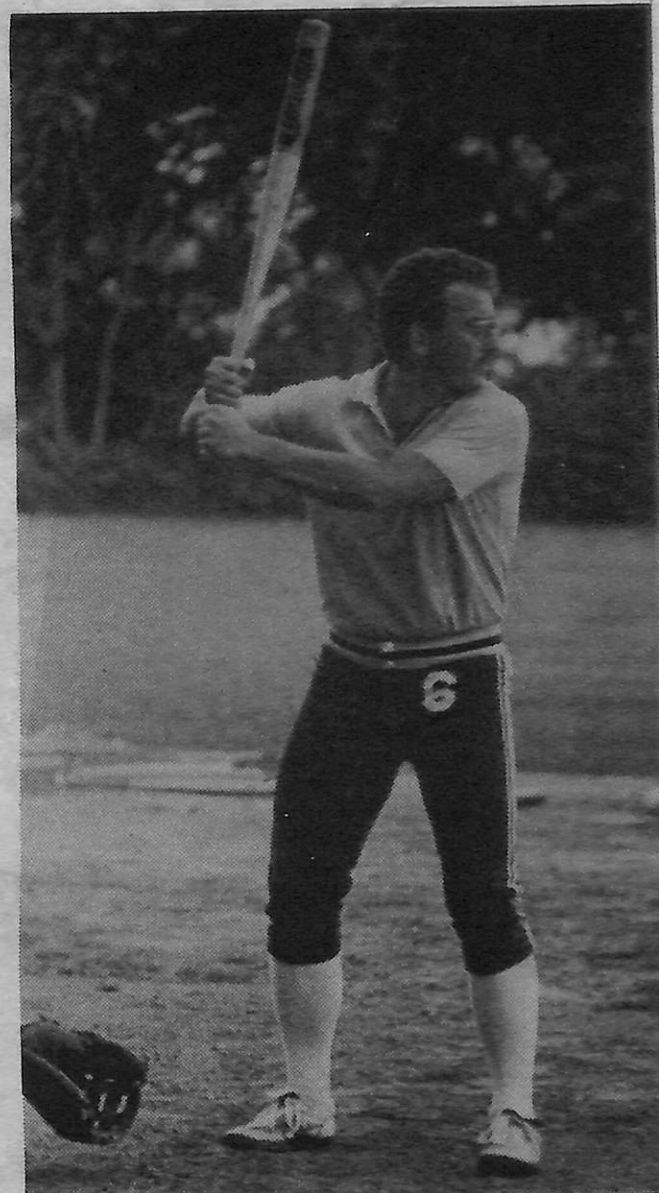
Street Stocks will be in search of the CAM 2 National Parts Peddler Qualifying event at Pocono. Leading favorites in the streets include Dave Selleck, Dan Lavoie, Phil Smith, Luke Scanlon, Wayne Thrall, Tim Barrett, Dan Delena, and Gary Fiormonti.

Gates open at 5:00 p.m., with racing at 7:00 p.m., on August 17th.

Soccer Parents Set First Meeting August 19th

The Agawam High School Soccer Parents Association will hold its first meeting for the 1985-86 soccer season on Monday, August 19th, at 7:30 p.m., at the Agawam Polish Club.

All parents of varsity, junior varsity, and freshman players are encouraged to attend.



LOOKING LEAN, MEAN, and hungry to powder the softball is Brian Telford of Gino's Liquors. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

GINO'S - From Page 31...

Gino's defense played flawlessly in the third, sending Antonio's back to the field, one, two, three. Ramah (3B) and Bobby Eggleston (SS) both sparked.

Gino's added four more runs that inning as Gary Eggleston started the rally with a single. Longball Grochal smashed a two-run homer over the 300-foot fence in leftfield. With two outs, consecutive RBI singles by Rossi and Sapelli upped Gino's lead to 9-1.

Gary Eggleston and Grochal continued their torrid pace with an RBI double and single, respectively. On Grochal's hit, a two-base error was committed, scoring three more runs. Greg Pytko's run-scoring safety to rightfield closed out their scoring at 13-1.

Gino's once again set down Antonio's one, two, three in the fifth, ending the game because of the 12-run rule. Pitcher Gary Eggleston recorded the win as he held Antonio's to four hits - Wayne Sandborn, Weed, Pete Blackenburg, and Paul Federici.

Follow our sports pages for complete coverage of all the playoff action in the Agawam Men's Slo-Pitch Softball League

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Desi's Place Takes Tavern, F.H. Public Market Escapes Teddy's, 5-4

by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Editor

A streaking Desi's Place captured their fifth straight win under recently returned coach Gary Desimone, with a solid 6-1 verdict over Tavern Inn on Tuesday, August 13th, at Shea's Field. This contest was in the wild division B-National of the Agawam Men's Slo-Pitch Softball League.

The victory was Desi's final regular season game as they finished the regular season at 21-6-1, tied for second place with Feeding Hills Public Market (21-6-1) as the playoffs begin on Thursday, August 15th (presstime). Both team are trailing Gino's Liquors (20-4-4) in the scramble for first, although the local oddsmakers are betting on Gino's for the top spot.

Desi's opened the scoring vs. Tavern Inn (17-10-1, scrambling for a playoff spot) in the first when Keith Savoie led-off with a double. Mike Belniak plated him with a single.

With two outs and runners at the corners, Jack Vadnais scored Joe Boroweic (on third) with a basehit.

The winners chalked-up two more runs in the bottom of the third when Jim Hill reached first on a basehit and Savoie clocked a two-run homer. Vadnais came through again offensively when he singled in a run. Don Wheeler also had an RBI in that inning.

Tavern's lone run came in the sixth when Dave Gawn's RBI safety kept them from being shutout.

Grimaldi Gamblers 10-G.M. Enterprises 9: The Grimaldi Gamblers played the role of spoiler as their come-from-behind, 10-9 triumph over G.M. Enterprises secured their lock on fifth place, but eliminated G.M. from the playoff picture in the Division B-National on Tuesday, August 13th, at Shea's Field.

Grimaldi's incredible comeback saw them down, 9-5 going into the sixth, but they hustled and hit their way to the 10-9 lead, which held firm in the last inning.

Their five-run rally was highlighted by a number of key hits as they sent 10-men to the plate. Ron Menard led-off with a single and Kevin Belezarian followed with a double to put runners at first and second.

An error at shortstop on Ray Stevens' hit scored one run. Al Blakeman singled home a run and Mike Grimaldi walked, loading the bases. Jeff Adams' sacrifice fly and Harry Jesonowski's single accounted for two runs to knot the game, 9-9.

This set-up Gary Veratti, who responded in the pressure situation with a big basehit to drive in the eventual game-winner.

Prior to Grimaldi's outstanding comeback, G.M. pitcher Tim Bates blasted a grand slam to give them the 9-5 lead in the fifth.

In the defensive department, Grimaldi's Blakeman (SS) and Grimaldi (3B) excelled in the field, while

G.M.'s Gret Vatrano (3B) and Dean Ascoti (2B) also played well.

Feeding Hills Public Market 5: Teddy Bear Pools 4:

Chris "Homerun" Hout and Dom Pisano accounted for all five of Feeding Hills Public Market's runs as they barely escaped Teddy Bear Pools, 5-4 in a key Division B-National matchup between two playoff bound teams on Tuesday, August 13th, at Borgatti Park.

The win secured the Market's second place tie with Desi's Place (21-6-1), while Teddy's dropped to 18-8-2.

The bats were cracking and the ball was flying all over Borgatti Field, but each team relied on heads-up, hustling defense to stifle it from becoming an offensive field day.

Back-to-back triples by Bill Ferguson and Hout with one out in the first notched the Market's first run. Pisano immediately followed with a single to rightfield to up their lead to 2-0.

The bottom of Teddy's batting order surprised the Market's defense as they figured keenly into the scoring. In the top of the third, player/coach Bob Fruwirth led-off with a double.

Ted Kopycinski hit a hard-shot off the pitcher's glove to set-up runners at the corners. Their number 10 batter, Glen Armstrong, belted a solid single to centerfield to plate Fruwirth (2-1).

The Ferguson/Hout show struck again in the third as Ferguson's bloop single was followed by Hout's rifle-like single to right centerfield (3-1). But, Teddy's Kip Regnier hit a sacrifice fly to leftfield, bringing them within one run (3-2) in the fourth.

The bottom of Teddy's order came through again as Kopycinski led-off with a triple and the speedy Armstrong wheeled it around the basepaths for a run-scoring triple (3-3).

Teddy's shortstop, Scott Karam, unleashed a tremendous shot to deep centerfield, which was caught just before the 300-foot mark. His sacrifice fly gave Teddy's their only lead, 4-3.

While Teddy's bottom of the order was red-hot offensively, the Market's top of the order provided the game-winning hits. Joe Cabral, the winning pitcher, singled to centerfield to start the fifth inning.

Ferguson lined out, but Hout blasted another triple to deep rightfield to tie it at 4-4. Pisano's sacrifice fly to rightfield turned out to be the game-winner.

Teddy's had a golden opportunity in the sixth to regain the lead, but good Market defense evaporated this potential rally. Dan Fruwirth and Fred Perry hit back-to-back singles with one out, but the next two batters left them high and dry.

Agawam DPW To Sponsor USAAA Softball Tourney

The Agawam Department of Public Works employees will sponsor a USAAA sanctioned softball tournament on Saturday and Sunday, August 24th and 25th, for Division C & D teams only.

The tournament is tentatively scheduled for Borgatti Park.

For further information, contact Len Bruso at 786-2824; Aldo Mancini, 789-9830; or Frank Andruss, 786-5691 (nights).



JAMES PAROLO OF FEEDING HILLS, with his soccer instructor, John Smith.

James Parolo Attends Smith Soccer School

Ames Department Stores, Inc., in conjunction with the John Smith Soccer School, has completed its scholarship program for 1985.

James Parolo of Feeding Hills was presented with a one week's scholarship to the school. The week ended with an awards ceremony honoring achievement.

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Riverside Sponsors Bookcover Night

Promotional Manager, Ben Dodge, Jr., again offers something extra special for the race fans who visit Riverside Park Speedway. Riverside is perhaps the only race facility in the country that offers the race fans several free gifts.

In fact, Riverside, through its association with sponsors during 1985, gave away over \$15,000 in free gifts, including hats, key chains, shirts, etc.

The speedway in Agawam has had poster nights, bumper sticker nights, and more. On August 31st, for the final Riverside Point event of 1985, it will be a special night for the kids; a back-to-school special.

Everyone in the stadium will receive five of the highest quality book covers available. These designer edition book covers from RJ Reynolds and Winston, are valued at \$5 and will be given away free, only at Riverside, August 31st.

Riverside is New England's most successful quarter-mile track in the NASCAR Winston Racing Series. The 31st program will feature a triple header format based on the NASCAR Modifieds, Pro Stocks, and Street Stocks. It's the final point event of 1985 with all the top regulars expected, including Reggie Ruggiero, Stan Greger, Mike McLaughlin, SJ Evanson, Ray Miller, and John Rosati, just to name a few.

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SPORTSMAN'S CORNER

by Bill Chiba

Bill Drav's Criticism

Several members of the U.S. House Coast Guard and Navigation Subcommittee sparred with the star witness, U.S. Rep. Silvio Conte (R-MA), the bill's sponsor, and Coast Guard Commissioner Admiral James S. Gracey, during hearings on June 27th.

The proposal seeks to impose \$136 million in 1986 (and possibly double that every year thereafter) in recreational boat and marine manufacturer user fees for Coast Guard services.

The consensus of subcommittee members was: that the proposal was a tax for general revenue purposes; that it would not add revenues for recreational boating safety services; and would likely be absorbed by the Department of Transportation into general overall operating expenses.

Members could not understand why recreational boaters should be singled out to pay for services such as aids to navigation, marine environmental protection, and bridge administration which benefit a broad spectrum of users.

Conte said that boaters could well afford to pay \$20 each as a kind of insurance policy for Coast Guard search and rescue service. However, under questioning, Conte admitted that not one boater had written him in support of the idea.

On the contrary, there was a great deal of protest mail which Conte explained away as a misunderstanding created by propaganda by boating lobbyists.

Regarding specific user fees, a \$23 annual charge was proposed for each numbered recreational boat used on federal waters. No specific fee was mentioned for factory inspections or testing. Commercial fishing boats under 100 tons would pay \$780 per year. The commercial fee would even be assessed on a 20-foot fishing vessel fishing in lakes or bays connected to intercoastal waterways.

New Hampshire has set its fall turkey season which will run from Sunday, September 15th to Friday, October 25th.

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Lecuyer Wins First Riverside Feature On Bob Stefanik Night

The NEAR (New England Antique Races) presented a special tribute to the stars of cars of yesteryear at the Riverside Park Speedway on Saturday, August 10th.

This special night of competition was designated as the "Bob Stefanik Memorial Night" for the Nascar Winston Racing Series. Featured as a tribute to the former racing days at Riverside Speedway were several of the NEAR cars, including the beautiful Czarnecki owned and restored Number 20 modified.

For this feature event, there was a great tribute paid to past heroes and competitors in auto racing. As a memorial thought, the grandstand lights were dimmed and lighters were lit in honor of those racers who have passed away.

As the green light flashed to start the 50-lap Nascar feature, it was Bruce D'allesandro who dominated the first 28 laps of the Budweiser sponsored event. D'allesandro looked like a sure contender for his first win in the Beemers Petro Dodge.

On the first caution after Mark Fluery had spun, it was Jack Lecuyer of Springfield who took command after the restart, taking the lead. From lap 28 to the checker, he built his lead in the Teddy Bears Pools Cavalier.

During the closing laps of competition, it was really a two-car battle as Agawam's John Rosati, in the Southwick Motor Sales Sunbird, fought Lecuyer to the end.

Lecuyer did hold on for the victory before a crowd of 6,500 Nascar Modified race fans. Second was Rosati; third, D'allesandro; fourth, Ray Miller of Granby, Connecticut; and fifth, Mike McLaughlin of Waterloo, New York.

Rounding out the top ten were Ken Bouchard of Fitchburg; Tom Bolles of Ellington, Connecticut; Fleury of Nasau, New York; Marty Radewick of Agawam, and Wade Cole of Riverton, Connecticut. Cole was also the winner of the 340 Bonus, worth an additional \$500.

Nascar heats with Budweiser bonus cash were won by S.J. Evonsion, D'allesandro, Lecuyer, and McLaughlin. Heats were \$75 for first and \$25 for second.

Lecuyer was quick to bring up the point that this victory was a long time in coming. It was a popular win with the fans as Lecuyer and the Teddy Bear Pools team are well-liked.

Fran Colson, Jr., took his first win for Coors Beer in the Pro Stock event and was the class of the field. In the 25-lap event, Paul Suprenant finished second; third, Jim McCallum; fourth, John Bergenty; and fifth, Mark Forino.

Rounding out the top ten were Pete Fiandanca, Ed Lavoie, Rick Turcotte, Scott Bouley, and Bob Sokolowski. Heats were won by Jerry Marquis, Colson, and Forino.

Jason Lobo, Jr., led the 25-lap Street Stock event until turn four when he lost his engine. Brian Crunden then took the lead and held on to the checker. Second went to John Mavlouganis; third, Wayne Thrall; and fourth, Tim Barrett.

Rounding out the top ten on this fine Saturday evening of racing were Dave Selleck, Dan Lavoie, Joe Hamm, Ed Brehio, Jr., and Rick Gile.

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The Agawam Police, after dropping the first game, 5-3, rallied back in big fashion the next two games, 20-12 and 15-10 to defeat Gino's Package Store in the best two-of-three finals of the Agawam Athletic Association sponsored 11-13 baseball championships.

The two teams were evenly matched as Agawam Police finished their regular season at 11-4, while Gino's was 14-3. Agawam Police is coached by John Hyland, Don Anderson, and Tom Connery. Gino's is coached by George Fogg and Anthony Maloni.

GAME ONE: The key to Gino's 5-3 triumph was the superb pitching of Tom Padden, the ace of the 11-13 league. Padden whiffed seven and allowed just two hits (both by Todd Hyland) as he kept the Agawam Police batters befuddled most of the way.

Agawam Police actually drew first blood when Hyland singled and went on to score after two passed balls in the first frame. But, Gino's replied with a Troy Conlin two-run homer in the bottom of the first.

Agawam Police evened the game at 2-2 when Dave Dean walked, stole second, and scored on Hyland's second hit.

The see-saw battle continued as an Eric Fogg round-tripper gave Gino's a 3-2 lead in the third. Agawam Police had their chances to break the game open in the fifth with the bases loaded, but they only managed one run when Jim Cichetti scored on a fielder's choice.

Gino's closed out the win with a run in each of the fifth and sixth innings. In the fifth, back-to-back singles by Tim Hawthorne and Darin Conlin set-up Mike Gravel's fielder's choice, plating the eventual game-winner.

Agawam Police players Scott Anderson and Greg Converse combined for a respectable pitching performance, while Mike Fay had a good game defensively.

GAME TWO: Being down a game, and getting into an 8-0 hole after one inning, Agawam Police were in serious trouble. But, they battled back to completely change the momentum of the series in their favor, stunning Gino's with a marvelous comeback. Good pitching by Hyland after Gino's raced out of the gate early keep the Police from falling apart.

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Gino's made the move for the championship sweep early with an eight-run frenzy. Anthony Maloni drove in two runs with a key hit to highlight the rally, which saw 11 players go to the plate.

Agawam Police used a six-run rally, including five walks and clutch hits by Richard Kiddy and Cichetti to make it a ballgame.

In the top of the third, Agawam Police took their first lead when they scored three times, thanks in part to Converse's two-run double. In the meantime, their defense tightened considerably, retiring eight Gino's

hitters in a row after the initial, first inning battering.

Both teams scored several times before Agawam Police assumed an 15-11 lead after four innings. Chris Corgan and Hyland connected to lead the surge. From there, the winners cruised to victory as they plated five more runs for good measure.

Agawam Police offensive stars were many, including Converse, 3-4, four RBI's; Jason Zabik, Hyland, and Corgan, three RBI's each; and Carl Vivenzio, two RBI's. Defensively, Mark Natale played well in the outfield.

GAME THREE: Like Game Two, Gino's broke into a quick but short-lived lead. Gino's scored three times in

the first on hits by Darin and Troy Conlin, and Mike Bellini.

Agawam Police followed with five runs of their own as basehits by Hyland, Converse, and Jeff Morassi. Morassi got his first hit of the year in a clutch situation.

Agawam Police maintained the lead, including a 10-7 advantage after four innings. In the fifth, with two outs, Agawam Police rallied for five runs, ignited by Zabik's two-run double.

Gino's fell short in the sixth when they could score just three runs. Tom Briggs, Matt Galant, and Britt Geary all reached base.



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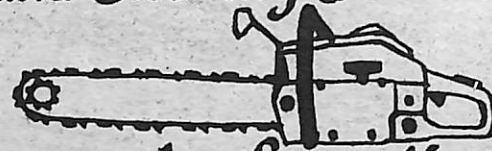
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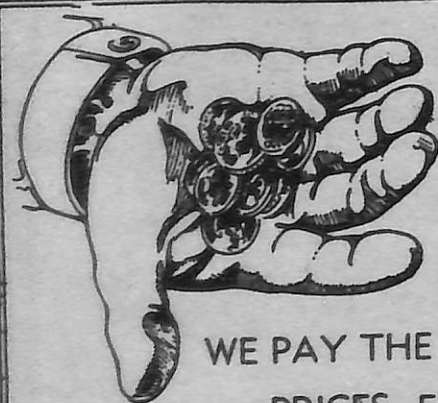
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